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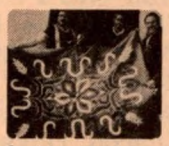

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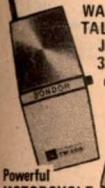

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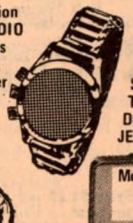

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AS I SEE IT

AN EDITORIAL

BY NAT LOUBET, EDITOR AND PUBLISHER

Over the many decades that I have had the great pleasure of covering the boxing field I have been thrilled and often chagrined; thrilled by great fights and being able to see the American way of an individual proving the possibility of going from rags to riches, and often chagrined by the many injustices and wrong doings that prevented such happy endings due to nefarious dealings, corruptions, and wrong dealings.

For these many years I have been crusading for a Federal Boxing Commission to end the flagrant wrongs that have plagued boxing and especially the fighters, without whom there would be no sport of boxing. I have repeatedly pointed out the reasons for the Federal Commission and what it could accomplish; I have implored and even begged for help to gain this much needed legislation.

The nearest we came to the "Holy Grail" was back in 1965 when Senator Estes Kefauver of Tennessee saw the need, held hearings, and then managed to get a bill through the House of Representatives. Unfortunately, before the Senator could get the bill before the Senate, he passed on, and with him passed the driving force behind the bill. The matter was conviently shelved.

The Ring continued over the years to plug away despite the disparaging comments on our efforts and the oft made remarks that we were wasting our time . . . "It will never happen!"

We never felt our time was wasted and we refused to give up the fight and now a congressman from Rhode Island, Edward P. Beard, has picked up the honest fight and is moving it forward.

Congressman Beard has held hearings in Washington which I was honored to be invited and was the first witness on the agenda. I have pledged myself and *The Ring* to be helpful in any way that will possibly help our sport.

Congress Beard's Bill, H.R. 2726, cited as the "Federal Boxing Control Act of 1979" is to establish in the Department of Labor-a Federal Boxing Board to prescribe and enforce fair labor standards applicable to the conduct of professional boxing and to impose certain other requirements relating to professional boxing, and for other purposes.

Undoubtedly, the Bill will face many changes before it comes to a vote, but, in its present form, it does incorporate most of the suggestions we have offered over the years to once and for all give boxing its rightful place in the sun with rules and regulations that will be uniform all over the U.S. and with justice and fair treatment for all, promoters, managers and, most importantantly, the fighters.

The various state commissions will not have any of their rights abridged but instead of rules and regulations there will be only one set under which all the commissions will operate, answerable to The Federal Board.

The Federal Board would have the right of review on all decisions made by state or local commissions; certified records of fighters would be maintained by the Board; av*i*lable to the board would be investigative forces when needed, and all financial transactions pertaining to fights and fighters would be above board and open to the public.

Once established, The Board would be able to contact the ruling bodies of the countries and/or sections of the world and to establish working agreements with these bodies and thereby establish one champion world-wide in each division. It would form a committee to insure that fighters in each division receive proper recognition and ability to obtain fights for the various titles in accordance with their abilities.

Gone will be the day of needing "proper connections" –managers, small time promoters and the fighters will once again have their rights preserved and will have their day in court.

The only possible blight on the horizon if the Federal Board does come into being is who is appointed to the board. If patronage and political meanderings cause hacks to get the jobs then boxing has, indeed, lost again, but, if men who know boxing, who have integrity and a desire to see the job accomplished properly are appointed, then we will have emerged into the utopian days of boxing.

"I WILL NOT FIGHT AGAIN,"

By NAT LOUBET

For a long time, the question has been, "What goes with Big George Foreman? Is he through with boxing or will he make the trip back to ring activity?"

Attempts to smoke out the truth have brought many smoked herrings; promoter Don King was talking to George about a comeback, or George, when asked by a member of the press about his future plans, reported that he wasn't sure.

Well, George Foreman, ex-heavyweight champion of the world, is now sure. At age thirty, he knows his mind and the future road he will travel.

"I went into boxing for fame and fortune, but now I'm not that ambitious," said Foreman. He smiled, "I miss boxing, but I haven't seen Larry Holmes fight in years, and I have no interest in fighting again."

The flag-waving, two fisted machine of destruction banged his way through a line of opponents in a rampage that culminated in his winning the 1968 Olympic title for the U.S.A. He turned pro in 1969 and went through thirty-seven opponents without a loss. Then, on January 22, 1973, at Kingston, Jamaica, Big George pulled one of the biggest upsets of modern times when he bounced what at that time was considered an almost unbeatable Joe Frazier off the canvas six times in two rounds to win the undisputed title as the heavyweight champion of the world.

Towards the end of '73, he defended his title against Jose Roman in Tokyo. It lasted one round. He began 1974 by icing Ken Norton in Caracas in two rounds and was developing into a legend.

On October 30, 1974, under a broiling sun in Kinshasa, Zaire, a legend was put to rest. Muhammad Ali knocked out the man mountain in eight rounds. The early rounds of the contest lived up to expectations. Foreman belabored Ali's body until it looked as if Ali would be driven through the ropes. Muhammad used his rope-a-dope, throwing few punches of his own while allowing George to punch himself out. That George did, and in round eight Foreman no longer had the steam to hurt Ali and the former champ took over and became the second man to win the heavyweight bauble for the second time.

In 1975, Foreman spent the entire year on the exhibition trail, including the circus in Toronto when he faced five so-so heavyweights in one night to prove nothing.

In 1976, Foreman trained hard and seriously and hit the comeback trail with a four-round kayo over the highly regarded Ron Lyle, a five round knockout over Joe Frazier and, a smashing three round smackaroo over Scott Le Doux. He completed the year by finishing off John (Dino) Dennis in four rounds.

George started off 1977 in winning style by destroying Pedro Agosta in four heats with bludgeoning power. Then, on March 17, in San Juan, Puerto Rico, Foreman and the boxing world were handed a surprise when Jimmy Young outboxed and outfoxed George, and managed to stay away from Foreman's awesome power to gain a twelve-round decision over the former champion.

George was devastated and said he was through, but all we "smart guys" covering boxing had heard this talk before from boxers in defeat. They usually came back and we were sure George would do the same.

When the money was right, George would be back. After all, George lived high: fast cars and faster women, two Rolls Royces, ten other cars, a pet lion, and a ranch full of other animals gave him a life style that is reported to have cost him $80,000 or better to maintain.

But few reckoned with the change that was coming over Foreman. The man who had been born in Houston's Fourth Ward of squalor and hard times, who as a youngster was a typical product of the streets–a hard type who drank too much, enjoyed punching out the other guy too much, liked to take what he wanted from the weaker too much, and seemed headed for eventual destruction–had changed over the years.

It is true that his background gave him the drive to use his body to gain the heavyweight crown in boxing and with it that which his childhood demanded: money and fame; but he then found out that

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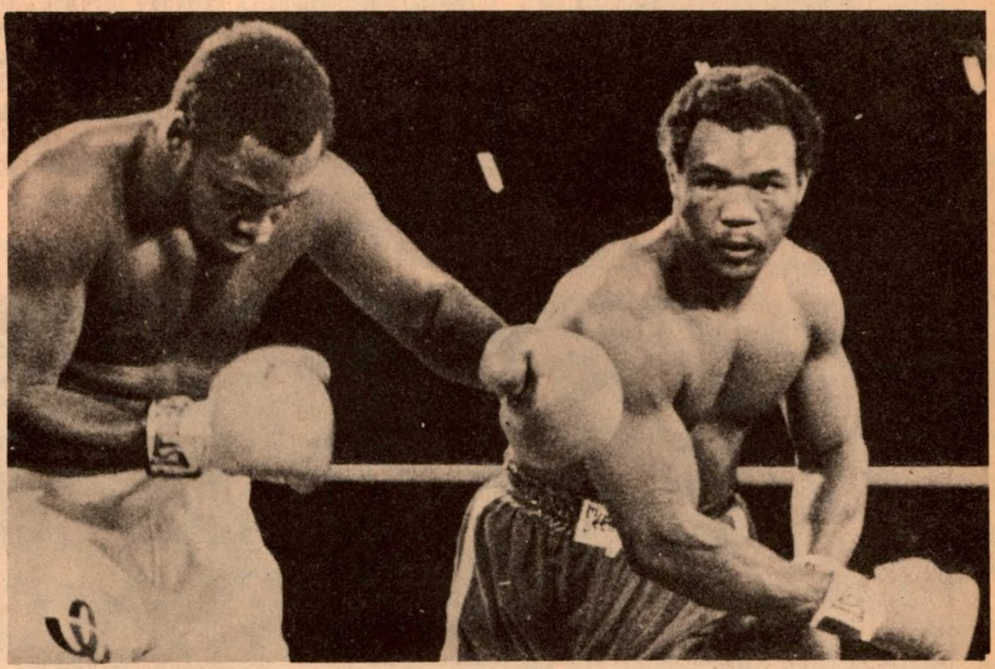
Ronald Reagan, then governor of California, congratulates Foreman on his winning the world heavyweight crown.

The champion watches a fight in Madison Square Garden with Pamela Clay in days when he surrounded himself with the best of everything.

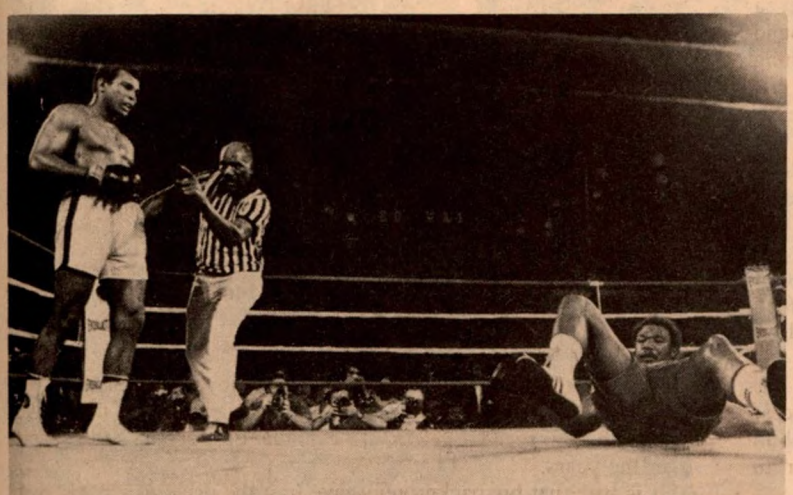
SAYS GEORGE FOREMAN

George with one of his five Mercedes, which have gone by the wayside along with his two Rolls and other cars.

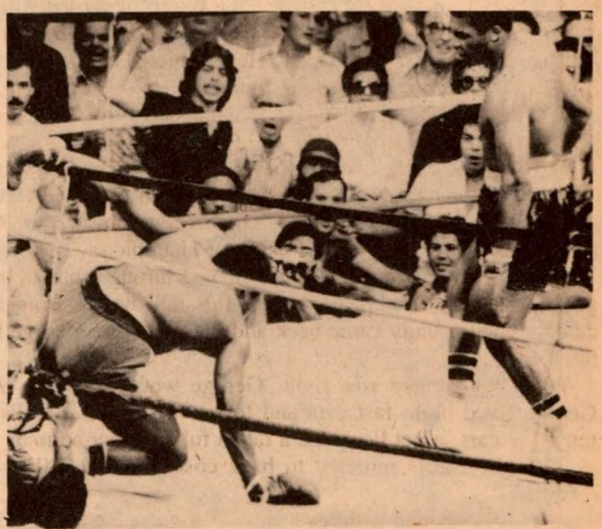
Big George in Las Vegas in the days when good times and fast living was his life theme. Now it's preaching.



Foreman wins the world heavyweight crown from Joe Frazier in two rounds in Kingston, Jamaica. Frazier was on the canvas six times before the end. This was the beginning of a new life for George. He was determined to make up for the "lacks" he had suffered up to then, and he spent money as fast as it came in, denying himself nothing.



Kinshasa, Zaire, and the road to riches hits a snag. Foreman lost his title to Muhammad Ali by a kayo in eight rounds.



His last fight. Foreman falls to his knees in the eleventh round of his fight with Jimmy Young.

GALINDEZ STOPS ROSSMAN TO REGAIN WBA TITLE

By JOSEPH P. LEE

The seven-month reign of Mike Rossman as World Boxing Association lightheavyweight champion came to an end as Victor Galindez regained the title via a tenth-round TKO at the Superdome in New Orleans.

The well-conditioned Galindez, fighting one of the best fights of his career, completely outhustled the Turnersville, N.J. battler, moving his body from all angles and kept up his incessant attack to the head and body.

Rossman finished limp on his stool after nine rounds of furious pounding. He complained he had not been able to use his right effectively from the fourth round on. After X-rays, Rossman's right hand was put in a cast. He had broken a bone above his right wrist. He will wear the cast from six to eight weeks.

Aside from the war within the ring, there was added excitement after the fourth round in which the battlers fought after bell. Rossman's brother, Al, jumped into the ring after the referee separated the two fighters and made a few passes at Galindez. The fighter from Buenos Aires, glared as though he were seeing things, then cuffed the younger Rossman a few times.

Meanwhile, the Galindez corner emptied into the ring and some of the Rossman handlers made gesturing signs and glared at the opposing corner. However, everything calmed down as the fighters resumed their feud at the bell.

The post-fight remarks certainly did not clear the atmosphere between the fighters. Rossman, before his trip to the hospital for X-rays, claimed that Galindez was a dirty fighter and his boxing entourage acted like a lot of thugs.

Galindez, the first man in boxing history to regain a light heavyweight championship, was unkind in his appraisal of Rossman, saying, strongly, that he was unworthy of a return match for the title.

"He (Rossman) is chicken," he said through an interpreter. "A chicken is a coward and I do not fight cowards," he added. "He quit. That's why he is a coward. Broken hand? No broken hand. Rossman had a broken arm when he got here. Excuses were all ready. He is afraid of me. Personally, I no like Rossman. The Rossman people I no can stand any of them," he said.

Galindez scored repeatedly throughout the fight with a left hook to the head which clearly hurt Rossman in the fourth. Rossman bounced back in the fifth round and opened a cut over Galindez' right eye with a strong left jab. Galindez was annoyed by the cut and tried to take Rossman out but just couldn't.

With blood pouring down Galindez' face at

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Victor Galindez drives a right to the face of Mike Rossman in their title fight in New Orleans. Galindez regained the WBA 175-pound diadem when Rossman did not come out for round ten.

FRANKLIN WINS WBC TITLE IN SECOND WAR WITH JOHNSON

By NIGEL COLLINS

Indianapolis–Philadelphia's Matthew Franklin ripped the WBC light heavyweight championship from local idol Marvin Johnson with a dramatic eighth-round technical knockout at the Market Street Arena. Arena.

The savage brawl was brought to a dramatic climax when Franklin, bleeding profusely from cuts over both eyes, poleaxed Johnson with a right hook, flush on the chin. Marvin gamely struggled to his feet, only to be ruled unfit to continue by Indianapolis referee George DeFabis at 2:44 of the eighth.

The bout was an uncompromising punchout from the opening bell that provided the 8,400 Hoosier fans in attendance with one thrilling exchange after another.

The homegrown champ, who came in at an even 175, seemed to be aiming for a quick kayo. He set a ferocious pace and won the opening round on sheer aggression.

Franklin, also 175, tried to box and move early but it was a hopeless tactic against the fired-up champion.

"I was trying to save my energy and box him," explained Franklin later. "But you can't box Marvin Johnson, because he just keeps coming at you."

Johnson was in command over the first four rounds. Although he was forced to absorb a number of hurtful counters as he pressed forward, the champ was building a solid lead behind his southpaw

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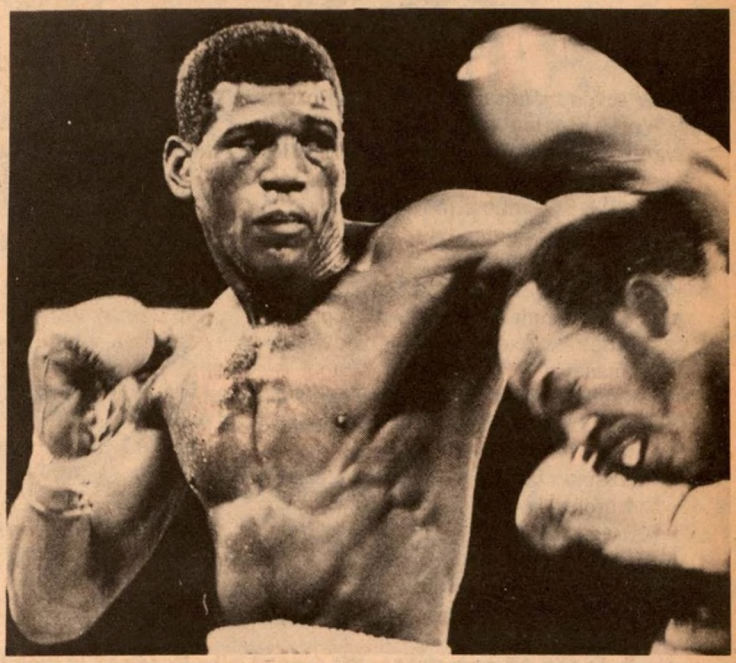

Matthew Franklin pounds WBC light heavy champion Marvin Johnson in their title bout in Indianapolis. Franklin won the fight and title when referee George DeFAbis halted matters at 2:44 of the eighth round.

SERRANO TAKES OUT MGXAJI

By RENE DU PREEZ

The Muhammad Ali "shuffle" may have brought many victories to the world champion–but it brought disaster to his South African imitator, Knosana "Happy Boy" Mgxaji's quest to be the first black South African to win a world title.

Challenging Puerto Rico's Samuel Serrano for the world junior lightweight crown, Mgxaji suffered a humiliating eighth round technical knockout. Mr. Stanley Vekwana became the first black man in South Africa to promote a world title fight.

From the opening bell, Mgxaji seemed preoccupied with pleasing the twelve thousand spectators. He drew roars of laughter and adulation with his version of the Ali shuffle, but it failed to make any impression on the sombre face of title holder Sam Serrano.

Neither Mgxaji's antics nor the fervour of the home crowd moved the intense concentration of Serrano. And it did not take the champion long to put a temporary stop to Mgxaji's fancy footwork. As early as the second round, Serrano had the South African on the canvas for two counts of eight. Tremendous whirlwind punches thumped into the South African's face and sent him sprawling on his pants. The predominantly black crowd was stunned into silence as the bell rang and their hero returned to his corner on rubbery legs.

But the expected did not materialize–not yet. Mgxaji cut out his antics and performed in the third and fourth rounds as a worthy contender. But his greatest moment in the fight proved his ultimate undoing. In the fifth round, Mgxaji floored Serrano with a tremendous looping right to the head that sent the Puerto Rican crashing to the canvas. Pandemonium broke loose as the referee, Larry Rozadilla, sent Mgxaji to a neutral corner. The compulsory count was taken and

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World junior lightweight champion Samuel Serrano catches Nkosana "Happy Boy" Mgxaji with a stinging left in the second round. Serrano retained his corwn with a TKO in the eighth.

LUJAN STOPS GARCIA IN 15 TO RETAIN BANTAM CROWN

By SHIRLEY NORMAN

Las Vegas, Nev.–Jorge Lujan of Panama managed to maintain his world bantamweight title with a fifteenth round TKO of Nicaragua's Cleo Garcia.

The bout, held at Caesars Palace Sports Pavilion in Las Vegas, was a celebration of the new "peace pact" between the World Boxing Association and the Nevada State Athletic Commission.

And both fighters seemed to pay tribute to the occasion by acting as if they, too, were almost at peace with each other. The lack of fistic action provided one of the dullest title fights in ring history. The first eight rounds were a patty-cake play of counter punches between the two bantamweights.

But Lujan, finally realizing his title was at stake, came to life in the eighth round and provided a dim display of fistic fireworks. The champion began to work his combinations; and shot some effective straight lefts and overhand rights at his opponent. He pinned Garcia in the corner several times from the eighth through fifteenth rounds.

Lujan opened a cut above Garcia's right eye in the 10th round; and the challenger later claimed that blurred vision impaired his performance. Despite the cut, Garcia fought his best round in the eleventh. He came on strong; but lost his balance; and slipped to the canvas in the middle of the round.

It was the first time the Nicaraguan fighter had gone over ten rounds; and by the twelfth round he was obviously out of gas.

Garcia went down again in the fourteenth round after a straight left and right cross by Lujan. Although he got to his feet by the count of five, the hapless challenger staggered to his corner at the end of the round.

The fifteenth round proved fatal for Garcia; as he was sent to the canvas again by two straight rights.

With his entire arsenal exhausted, Garcia, in desperation, sat down in a neutral corner at 2:29 of the fifteenth round, when the fight was stopped and Lujan awarded a TKO.

The dull title fight was booed by the crowd after every round; but both fighters had excuses for their lack-luster performances.

Said Lujan: "This was my first fight in six months, and the layoff had its effect on me. But I fought my fight according to my plan. I had planned to take it easy in the early rounds, and that's why I didn't come on strong until the eighth. Sometimes he tried to hurt me; but it wasn't enough to affect me".

Garcia explained: "They gave me only two weeks notice to prepare for this bout. But I thought I was in good shape. Then my vision got so blurred after the tenth round, I couldn't land any of my punches."

Garcia was a replacement for Alfonso Zamora, former WBA Champion, who lost his title last year to Lujan. Zamora pleaded illness; but word has it that he was not satisifed with the purse offered him by promoter Don King.

Garcia's final words were: "Lujan is a good fighter, but Zamora, in good condition, would knock him out".

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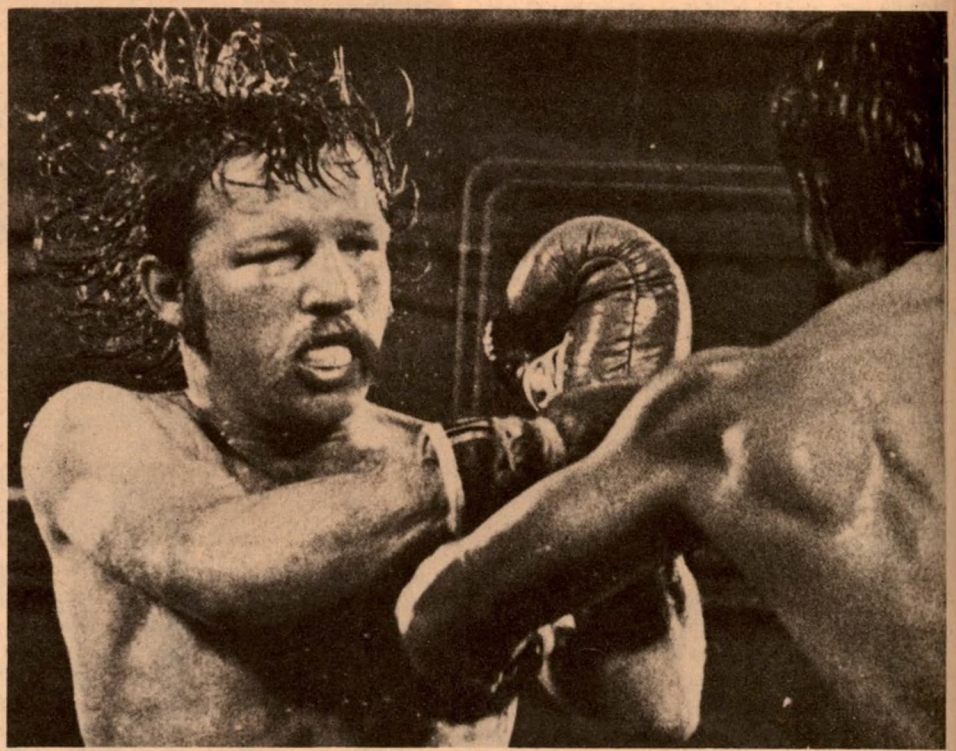
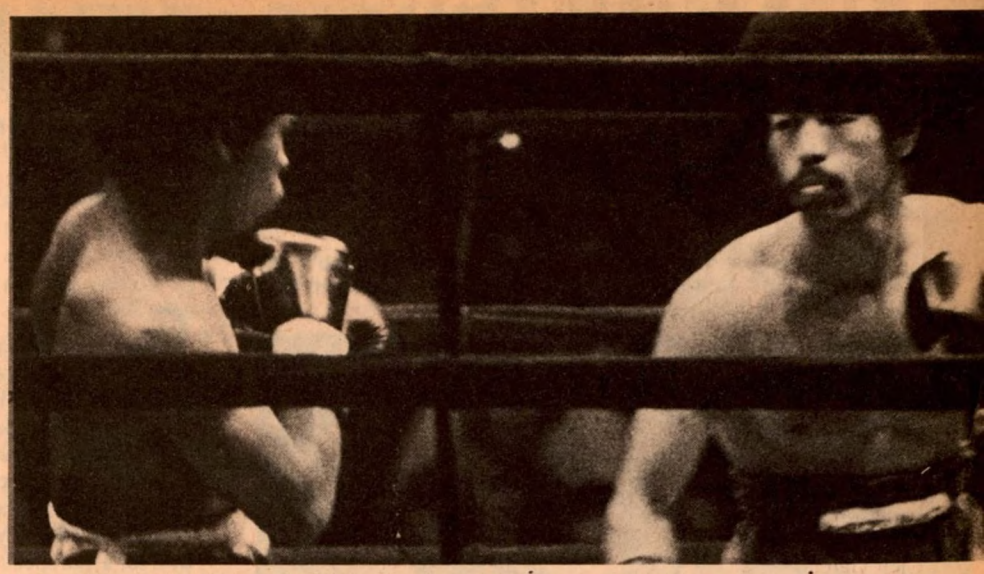
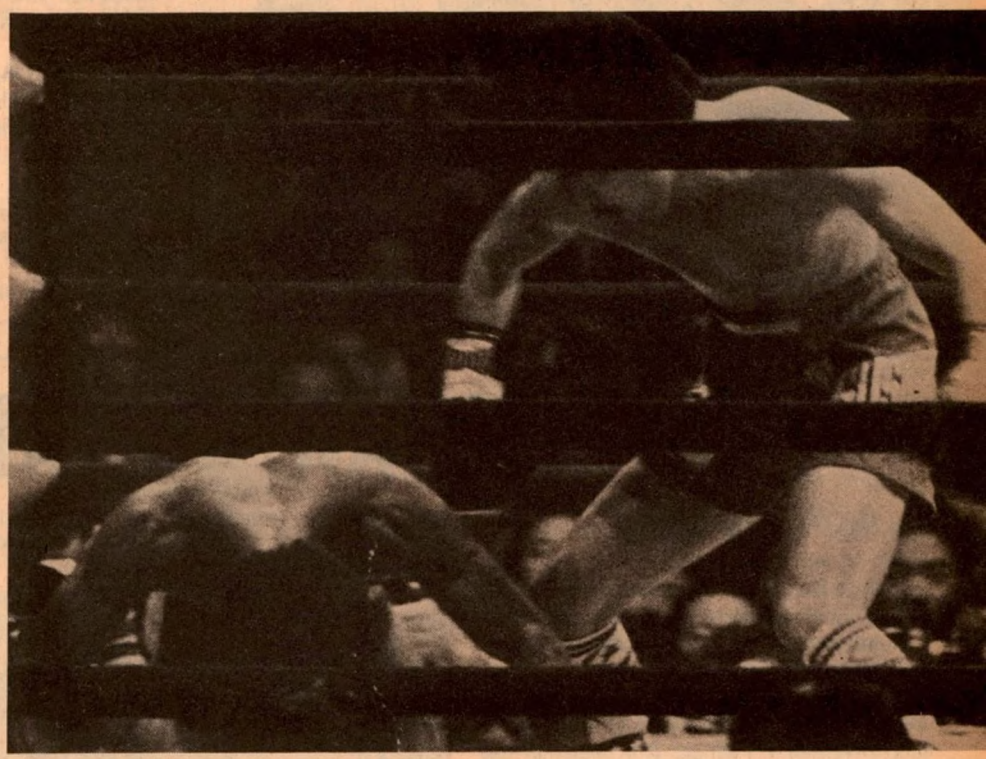
(Above Nicaraguan challenger Cleo Garcia hits the deck in the fifteenth against world bantamweight champion Jorge Lujan. Referee David Pearl stopped the bout at 2:29 of the round, Lujan winning on a TKO. (Below) Jimmy Heair's hair looks like its almost standing on end as he is belted by Roberto Duran. Duran failed to put Jimmy down or out, but won unanimous decision after ten.



GUSHIKEN KAYOES LOPEZ

By JOE Y. KOIZUMI





(Above) WBA junior flyweight champion Yoko Gushiken, right, is seen against Panamanian challenger Alfonso Lopez at Kuramae Arena in Tokyo. (Below) Gushiken knocks out Lopez in 2:47 of the seventh.

Tokyo, Japan–Unbeaten Japanese southpaw Yoko Gushiken collected another victim when he stopped fast-moving Panamanian Alfonso Lopez and retained his WBA junior flyweight title for the eighth time. The time was 2:47 of the seventh round, when a trick happened because of Gushiken's wicked right, following a quick one-two, stopped Lopez before an estimated fifteen thousand spectators at Kuramae National Wrestling Arena.

Up to the stoppage, referee Ken Morita and judge Akiyoshi Sasaki saw the speedy affair 59-59, while judge Seiji Nakamori had it 59-58 in Gushiken's favor.

Both fighters entered the roped square at 108 pounds–the limit of their class, but Gushiken was standing 5 ft-4, one inch taller than the 27-year-old challenger.

Alfonso was the former WBA world flyweight champion who had been dethroned by Mexican Guty Espadas via a thirteen round kayo in Los Angel[illegible] October, 1976.

People here remembered the ex-champ Lopez's impressive showing about three years ago, when he came to Tokyo and defended his WBA version by a split but popular decision over hard-hitting Shoji Oguma in fifteen heats.

Gushiken, twenty-third, started cautiously, tossing few jabs and studying Alfonso's perpetual footwork. Lopez did not send any strong shots, either. Round two again saw their nervousness and lack of action. This might have been due to Gushiken's respect of Alfonso's vaunted counterpunching in the first five frames, although the lefty champ had sunk twelve men in his seventeen previous victories.

Lopez, the footworker, did not look inferior, from the viewpoint speed in feet and hands, to the way he was when he had outsped Oguma at the same Arena. The Panamanian responded to Gushiken's right jabs with his quick right leather in the third session.

The fourth canto was dominated by Lopez, who had the lefty champ missing and scored with light but fast punches to his opponent's face. After they both kept defensive in round five, Gushiken changed his strategy by aiming at Alfonso's breadbasket with smashing straight lefts. The sixth was Gushiken's round. However, the Japanese southpaw received a slight cut over the right eyebrow, which was caused accidentally by a clash of heads.

Having compiled an amateur record of 62-3 with fifty-two within the distance, the young puncher, who had acquired the WBA title via a seventh round kayo over Juan Gusman, Dominican Republic, in his only ninth pro bout, looked calm despite the sudden gash.

The knockout came in round seven, when he continued attacking Lopez at the body with long lefts but still kept his own distance.

Lopez sometimes attempted to catch the aggressive champ with short right uppercuts when Gushiken bored in with his body punches. Yoko's hit-and-run tactics, however, were good enough to avert Alfonso's counterattack. All of a sudden, Gushiken's right exploded at the moving target. Lopez, down on his knees, supported himself with his gloves on the canvas. The loser seldom moved from this position until the third man counted out the fatal ten.

The cool champion, who has scored six recent defenses, all by knockout, reflected the close proceedings rather than the fine stoppage. "Lopez was elusive enough. My left blows couldn't catch him, so I tried to connect with my right punch following my one-two. The final shot was that right. But I wanted Lopez to come back again from the first knockdown, for I was eager to flatten him with much stronger blows." The loser, Lopez, whose record dropped to twenty-seven wins against six defeats, suffered his fifth kayo loss. Last year, Alfonso moved down to the 108-pound division and gained the Central American title by a twelve-round nod over compatriot Hilario Sapata in November. That comeback win

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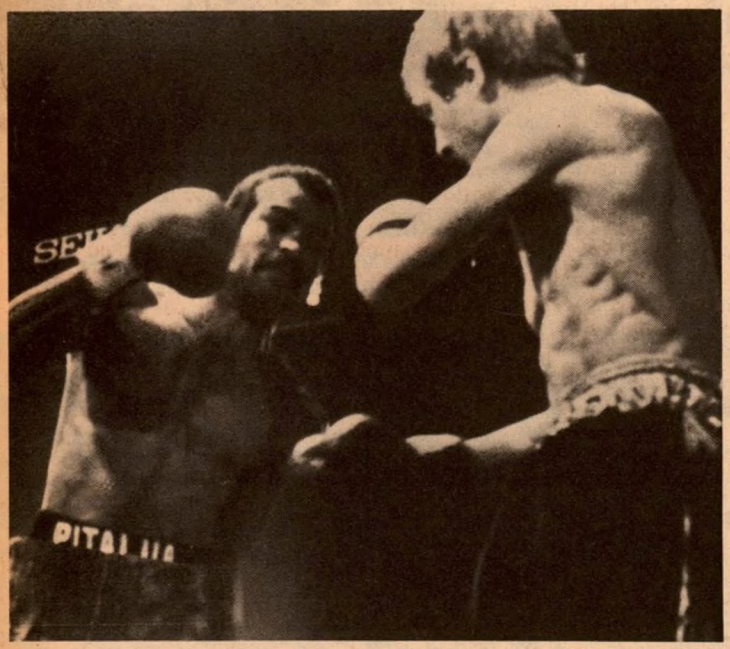
WATT TKO'S PITALUA FOR WBC LIGHTWEIGHT TITLE

Alfredo Pitalua prepares to swing a right cross at Scotland's Jim Watt in their WBC lightweight title bout in Glasgow, Scotland. Watt won on a TKO at 1:55 of round twelve.



By KENNETH MacDONALD

Glasgow, Scotland–Thirty-year-old Scot Jim Watt won the vacant WBC lightweight title with a twelve-round TKO victory over Antonio Pitalua at Kelvin Hall.

Watt, the European king, and Pitalua, of Colombia, were named to fight for Roberto Duran's vacated world crown by the WBC.

Pitalua, now boxing out of Mexico, was the underdog in this bout. He was held to a draw in ten rounds by unranked Leonardo Bermudez of Mexico late last year while Watt stopped Spain's Antonio Guinaldo in five, a European title defense. Watt had won his last seven bouts, four via kayo, and had gone the fifteen-round route three times, winning once.

Pitalua had won nine straight prior to the Bermudez fight, scoring seven knockouts. He had never gone more than ten rounds, and that only four times.

Pitalua is also the step brother of former middleweight champion Rodrigo Valdez. They both have the same mother, Perfecta Hernandez, who was first married to Reynaldo Valdez and had eight children. Her husband died and she married Jose Pitalua and had several more children, including Antonio.

Antonio's record was 31-1-4, his loss coming via kayo in eight rounds at the hands of Ney Gordillo in Mexico City on January 31, 1976.

Watt had been halted twice in his ten-year career, first by Victor

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KIM IN DRAW, RETAINS TITLE

By WON HUN-LO

Seoul, Korea–WBC junior flyweight champion Kim Sung-Jun was held to a draw by Dominican Hector Rey Melendez in a fifteen-round championship contest.

Kim had won the title on September 30, 1978, scoring a third-round kayo over Thailand's Netrnoi Vorasingh. That bout was also held in Seoul.

Kim had lost to another local, Chung Sang-Il, for the Korean flyweight title, prior to winning the WBC junior flyweight crown from Vorasingh. Kim had won the Korean title from Chung earlier in the year. In between those bouts, he kayoed Kazunori Tenryo of Japan in the third.

The local got the best of the judges' decision against Melendez. The Dominican started the bout on top and forced the action all the way, landing the harder blows and scoring big in the exchanges.

Kim came back and rallied over the last five rounds, Melendez appearing to have tired. This caught the eyes of the officials and they ruled the bout a draw.

Challenger Rey Melendez shoots a right to the head of WBC junior flyweight champion Kim Sung-Jun in their championship fight at Seoul Moonhwa Gymnasium in Seoul, Korea. The decision was a draw.

CONTEH IN DRAW WITH BURNETT

By RON OLVER

London–Referee Harry Gibbs sparked off controversy when he awarded a ten-round draw between former WBC light heavyweight champ John Conteh and American Jesse Burnett.

Burnett looked crestfallen, and, after scoring two knockdowns, had every reason for thinking he was unlucky not to get the decision.

Many patrons at the plush Hilton Hotel agreed with him, and some sympathisers even chaired him around the ring.

Apart from the guests at this dinner/boxing show, millions of viewers on BBC TV saw the bout live, and had a shock when Conteh went to the canvas from a left hook and following right to the face just as the bell ended the first round.

It was a slightly delayed-action fall, and referee Gibbs was already walking towards a neutral corner when a count should have been started. But this proved unnecessary, John struggling up on rubbery legs after about five seconds and going to his corner, where he sank wearily and thankfully on to his stool.

Conteh had been inactive for six months, and this was evident in his slow start.

The question now was whether trainer George Francis could get John into shape by the start of round two, and the odds looked against it. Anyway, George did manage to do so, although for the first minute of that second round Conteh's legs still looked wobbly. Burnett tried to land a quick finisher, but, somehow, Conteh survived, and, unaccountably, the American went back into his shell, and was content to exchange jabs for a few rounds, which suited Conteh admirably.

Burnett's decision to stop throwing those hefty hooks and swings that had proved so successful meant a new lease of life for Conteh. It gave him back some confidence and enabled him to get his timing right.

As the fight progressed, Conteh got his left jab on target, landed some clean and accurate punches, albeit of the light variety.

But at no time did Burnett appear in any kind of difficulty, and there were occasions when John appeared shaken when caught with a Burnett special.

It soon became evident that we would not be privileged to see the Conteh right hand. He held it cocked menacingly, but didn't throw it. In fact, he seemed to be reserving it to stir his tea with afterwards.

This was difficult to understand, for there

John Conteh is down in the eighth round of his ten-round bout with Jesse Burnett in the London Hilton. John had also been floored in the first.

were occasions when the situation cried out for a Conteh right cross. Burnett's guard was very low at times, then he went southpaw, and John still held back that right hand.

Conteh has had a lot of trouble with this hand, but, in world class, only an exceptional boxer can hope to win a fight one-handed. And John's left was not really dominating the exchanges.

It was just like a repeat of the recent Maurice Hope-Rocky Mattioli WBC title fight, when the latter's right was injured in the first round, and he didn't use it afterwards.

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COLBERT LOSES TO WEIR IN 10

By ED CLARK

Rand Stadium, Johannesburg–Charlie Weir was given a close ten-round points decision over Mike Colbert in a middleweight bout before a crowd of ten thousand. The decision was not well received by the crowd and the press were unanimous in their declaration that Colbert won. The fight had a sensational beginning when both fighters were on the canvas in the first round. Colbert began by jabbing with his left, then shot in a short right and Weir was on the canvas. Weir retaliated on rising, and a short right had Colbert on the canvas. Weir was constantly on the attack, but he was wild and Colbert on the retreat continued to jab. A short right to the head and Colbert was on the canvas but saw out the round.

Weir again forced the pace in the third, scoring with rights but a short left from Colbert

Mike Colbert, who lost a controversial decision to Charlie Weir in Johannesburg.

put him on the canvas.

The referee, Stan Christodoulou, was also on the canvas; he slipped.

Weir constantly on the advance, and Colbert, retreating but scoring points with his left, was the remaining pattern of the fight. At one stage, the referee stopped the fight and called for more action. Weir was mesmerised by Colbert's cobra left hand action and could find no counter. In fact, he stood still and beckoned Colbert to come and fight.

Colbert fought in spurts and scored again with a right uppercut in the fifth. Weir was made to miss often. He was unable to "cut off" his fast moving opponent, who scored with left jabs although there was no power behind his punches. Colbert's habit of stopping momentarily whilst on the "run" to trade punches often caught Weir by surprise. Colbert lost points by being warned many times for holding and other infringements, but, in round nine, he shook Weir with two good left hooks and a right uppercut. Weir pinned faith in a big punch but Colbert was too slippery. Weir began to look more tired but kept trying to force the pace. The final round was marred by too many clinches but both fighters scored. Colbert got in with a left hook to the head and Weir with a left to the body.

Heavy hitting Bruce McIntyre was given a sound boxing lesson by James Mathatho in a light heavy weight bout for the Transvaal title, but, in the seventh round, McIntyre K.O'd Mathatho.

Robbie Williams decisioned Kid Power, Rhodesia, six, heavyweights; Smiley Giesing upset Martin Barnard, knocking him out with a left hook in the second, light heavyweights; Peet Bothma outclassed Justus Joseph, six, junior welters; Basie Gouws outscored Keith Bradford, four, light heavyweights.

Sugar Ray Leonard shoots a left to Adolph Viruet's head in their ten-round bout at the Dunes Hotel in Las Vegas. Leonard won unanimous decision for his twenty-first straight victory.

SUGAR RAY OUTPOINTS A. VIRUET

By SHIRLEY NORMAN

Las Vegas–The Dunes Hotel was the scene of Sugar Ray Leonard's twenty-first straight victory as a professional when the second rated welterweight in the world defeated Adolfo Viruet in a ten round unanimous decision that was his toughest test to date.

Viruet was something of a puzzle to Leonard in the first three rounds since Adolfo's southpaw style was something Ray had not faced previously. But in round four Leonard began to open up and a two-handed attack put Viruet on the canvas with a right hand for an eight count.

Leonard likes opponents who come in on the attack so that he can utilize his boxing ability and fancy style to set up an opponent with jabs and then deliver his right hand as a convincer. In Viruet he had a counterpuncher who refused to be suckered into the Leonard

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CHACON, LIMON, IN TECH DRAW

By CHRISTOPHER COATS

Los Angeles–Bobby Chacon and Rafael "Bazooka" Limon fought to a technical draw when their scheduled twelve-round North American junior lightweight championship match was halted in the seventh round.

The bout was stopped when an unintentional butt opened a gash over Limon's right eye. Dr. Bernhart Schwartz, who inspected another cut near Limon's right eye in the sixth round, called the fight off at 1:15 of the seventh. Chacon, from San Fernando, had a wide lead on all three cards and, more importantly, Limon seemed to be fading fast under Chacon's relentless attack.

The bout was held at the Los Angeles Sports Arena and involved the number one (Limon) and number three contenders for the World Boxing Council's title held by Alexis Arguello. Limon has reportedly already signed to fight Arguello, in what will be the Nicaraguan's last title defense before joining the lightweight division.

The ending was a big disappointment for Chacon, who had lost a close decision to Limon in Mexicali two years earlier. Enoch Yip, Chacon's trainer, said, "Bobby would have knocked him out within the next couple minutes. Limon didn't even want to come out for the seventh."

It appeared that Limon lost heart after three rounds, and the cut was a blessing for the Mexico City fighter. This reporter viewed the fight on closed circuit from San Jose and the predominantly Mexican crowd were sitting on their hands after the fourth round.

Chacon, twenty-seven, weighed 129½. Limon, twenty-three, scaled 129¼. The cards, not including the seventh round, read, 60-56 by judge Bobby Riggs, 59-56 by judge Larry Rozidilla, and 59-56 by referee Lou Filipo. A crowd of 8,325 was the biggest card so far in California this year.

The first three rounds were fast but not decisive for either fighter. Chacon appeared tentative, trying to solve his foe's southpaw stance, and held a slight advantage with jabs and left hand counters.

Limon got his fans excited in the fourth when he twice backed the former WBC featherweight champion against the ropes and unloaded a flurry of blows. But Chacon fought back hard and forced Limon to back off.

In the fifth, Chacon started unloading combinations that caught Limon and drove him across the ring. Suddenly the Los Angeles audience erupted with the chant "Bobby, Bobby." Limon held on and finished the round.

In the sixth, Limon was warned for thumbing. Chacon slammed two rights into Limon's face and opened a cut over his right eye. At one point Chacon hit Limon on a break, then stepped back 'and complained to the referee.

In the seventh, Chacon got off fast and connected with shots to Limon's head and body. Limon looked like he wanted to go home early. He moved away, grabbed and held, and tried to sneak his punches in. Quickly their heads collided and Limon promptly walked to his corner. There was some confusion because Dr. Schwartz had inspected a cut above Limon's eye in the sixth. It was a strange finish, and while a moral victory of sorts for Chacon, it certainly wasn't what he wanted.

There seems little probability of a rematch. Limon is the number one contender for Arguello's title and that will be his biggest payday ever. Limon's record is now 38-3-3, (not the higher figure claimed by his manager), while Chacon is 41-4-1, with thirty-five by kayo.

The undercard was

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BENES KAYOES COHEN FOR EURO CROWN

By JACK A. TREE

Marijan Benes follows through with a right to the head of European Boxing Union junior middleweight champion Gilbert Cohen. Benes kayoed Cohen in the fourth to win the title.

(Photo by Slobodan Momcilovic)

Yugoslavia-Five thousand Yugoslavs saw their local matador, Marijan Benes, win the European junior middleweight crown, kayoing champion Gilbert Cohen (31) in four rounds in the sport hall at Banja Luke, a town near Zagreb, where Benes was born on June 11, 1951. For Cohen, whose reign was short, having only won the title in November last by beating Briton Johnny Batten in three rounds, this was the first KO defeat in a career made up of twenty-three bouts.

Benes was ahead on points at the time of the KO, his eighth win inside the distance. He lost only one of his sixteen professional bouts, a KO (3) to Tiger Quaye, Ghana. But from three fights with Quaye, Benes has won two, which wipes out this only defeat but still leaves a doubt in many minds as to whether Benes can take a real dig to the jaw.

American trainer Henry Davis, who has for years assisted and trained boxers from Willi Zeller's stable in Berlin, was in Benes' corner. Only ten days ago, he had worked in Rudi Koopmans corner when the Dutchman dethroned Italian Aldo Traversaro in Rotterdam. Davis was also in Eckhard Dagge's corner when the German won the WBC junior middleweight title several years ago. Benes' left was always in Cohen's face and it was a left hook in the fourth that ended the fight.

Those who enjoy the noble art side of the game find Benes very crude but he packs a dig that could topple the best. But he must get the chance to land it and also be able to take a punch while trying to deliver it.

Benes' win makes this division really exciting, with challengers Benes and Ayub Kalule, Uganda, waiting in the wings for WBA and WBC champions Masahi Kudo, Japan, and Briton Maurice Hope.

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KOOPMANS WINS EBU LIGHT HEAVY CROWN

By JACK A. TREE

Referee Roland Dakin sends Rudi Koopmans to the furthest neutral corner as EBU champ Aldo Traversaro struggles to regain his feet. Koopmans won the title when Traversaro was unable to answer the bell for the seventh round. (Photo by Slobodan Momcilovic)

Holland–At Rotterdam, a fifth European champion, light heavy Aldo Traversaro, Italy, lost his crown with the new year only three months old. Others toppled were welter Frank Rhiney, junior welter Fernando Sanchez, junior middle Gilbert Cohen and junior light Natale Vezzoli. Aldo Traversaro was dethroned by Dutchman Rudi Koopmans (31), the Italian failing to answer the bell for round seven because of a cut eye. They first met in this same venue a year ago with the bout ending in a draw.

My friend, Dutch reporter Rinze van Der Meer, at ringside, gave me the following run down on this second match. Koopmans was in command in the early stages, catching Traversaro (30) with left jabs and hooks to the body. In the sixth, Koopmans caught the Italian with a left hook to the body which hurt. A right cross followed by a right uppercut decked Traversaro. The champion was up at four but took a mandatory count of eight. Traversaro, whose left eye was cut in the fourth, was bleeding badly and the laceration looked deep. The champion, not risking permanent eye damage, decided not to come out for round seven and Koopmans was the new champion of Europe. The British referee, Roland Dakin, favored Koopmans with a score of 60-55 and the French judge had the Dutchman in front by 59-55. Judge Sanchez Villa, Spain, got the winner right but his scoring, 58-56, is hard to understand.

Dutch boxers have been involved in thirty-five European championship battles and four have ruled Europe: Herman van T'Hoff, light heavy (1926), Rudi Koopmans, light heavy (1979), Bep van Klaveren, lightweight (1931) and middle (1938), and Fighting Mack, welterweight (1968). Those who had a chance to fight for a Euro crown but failed were: heavy

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NATIONAL GOLDEN GLOVES

By GARY L. MERRITT

Indianapolis, Indiana was the site of one of spring's extravaganzas. The National Golden Gloves Tournament of Champions is reserved for only one city annually and it was welcomed warmly by Hoosiers after another frigid winter.

This was the fifty-second year for this happening and the first year for Indiana to host it. From March 28 through March 31, 338 young men, aged sixteen to twenty-six, participated in 322 scheduled boxing matches. The tournament, co-sponsored by the Indianapolis Star and Indiana Golden Gloves, was conducted at the Indianapolis Convention Center in the Circle City.

Representatives came from thirty-two regional tournaments held across the United States just prior to the Nationals. Each boxer is a champion from his region. After the four-day, five-session marathon is completed there are eleven national champions, one from each of the eleven weight divisions.

During the first two nights three rings are used simultaneously to pare the huge field down to eighty-eight hopefuls for the last two days. On the third night a total of 44 bouts are held in two rings with forty-four potential national champions remaining. During the early afternoon of the fourth day two rings are used to determine the 22 finalists. The fourth night sees all eyes focused on one ring where the eleven champions will be crowned.

The contests ranged in duration from several three-round decisions to one of the shortest fights on record. On opening night, heavyweights Mark Wycliff, Indianapolis, and Ron East, Syracuse, were poised for action, with the fans loudly encouraging their local favorite. At the bell, Wycliff sprinted across the ring, ran face-first into East's thunderous right, and sprawled on the canvas. The bout lasted less than three seconds. Later that evening Ron East would be knocked out by Curtis Jackson from Los Angeles in the second round.

During the quarter finals two Las Vegas fighters were forced to forfeit their matches. Darrell Hackett and Walter Ware are members of the Marine Corps, which forbids its men to box without protective headgear. The Golden Gloves rules prohibit the use of headgear in the tournament. Faced with the possibility of dishonorable discharges, both men chose to default. Their decision came as a major disappointment to many fans who were looking forward to Hackett's bout with Alvino Manson of Indianapolis and to the contest between Ware and Pennsylvania's Marvis Frazier.

The finals drew a near-capacity crowd of approximately eight thousand people. The audience was treated to an exciting evening of championship amateur boxing.

Defending 106 lb. champion Richard Sandoval of Los Angeles successfully defended his title over game Alexander Pelen of Hawaii. Sandoval had his opponent down in the first round and administered two standing eight-counts in the second round to Pelen before the referee saved the Hawaiian from further punishment.

The 112 lb. clash saw Jerome Coffee, Knoxville, Tennessee, floor Dario Medrano, Grand Rapids, twice in the first round. The referee stopped the contest in that round with Coffee as the victor.

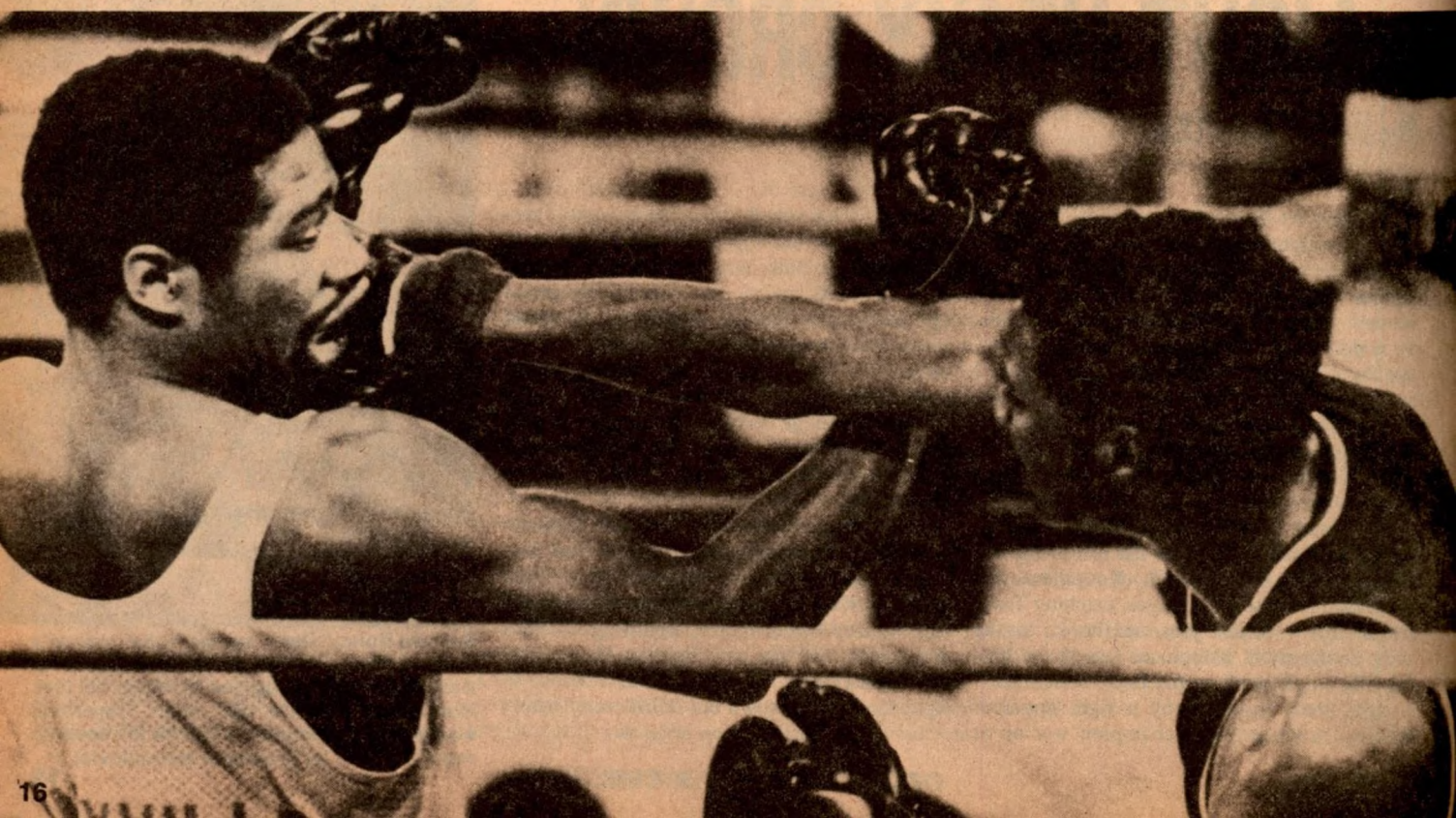
Kenneth Baysmore, Washington D.C., finished strong in the 119 lb. division to win a decision over defending champion Jackie Beard, Jackson, Tennessee.

Ben Rodriguez, Omaha, entered the 125 lb. bout with patches covering cuts over both eyes. The cuts were received in earlier bouts. Roland Cooley, Pennsylvania, boxed superbly, winning the title when the contest was halted because of the reopening of Rodriguez' wounds in the third round.

Two southpaws met for the 132 lb. crown, with Johnny Bumphus, Knoxville, winning a decision over Efren Nieves, Milwaukee. Nieves concentrated on throwing body punches which proved to be inadequate to overcome the varied attack by Bumphus.

Lemuel Steeples, St. Louis, won on points from Byron Lindsay, Las Vegas. Both of the 139 lb. contenders are "lefties." In the second round, Lindsay was knocked down. He also took a standing eight-count in that round.

Knoxville's Clinton Jackson, left, slips the right hand of Anthony Dee, Kansas City, in the 156-pound competition of the National Golden Gloves in Indianapolis. Jackson, a three-time Golden Glove and four-time AAU champ, won the decision.



At 147 lbs., Mike McCullum, Knoxville, won what appeared to be a close decision over Donald Bowers, Jackson, Tennessee.

James Shuler, Pennsylvania, weighing 156 lb., won a decision over Randy Smith, Chicago. Smith had decisioned Clinton Jackson, Knoxville, former three-time Golden Gloves champion, in the semi-finals.

The 165 lib. title fight could be described as a "Pier Six Brawl." Antonio Ayala, Ft. Worth, was floored early in the first round by Lamont Kirkland, Omaha. Ayala rose to stagger his opponent toward the end of the initial round. The Texan used his lethal left hook in the second round to induce two standing eight-counts against Kirkland. The judges decided in Ayala's favor, much to the delight of the crowd.

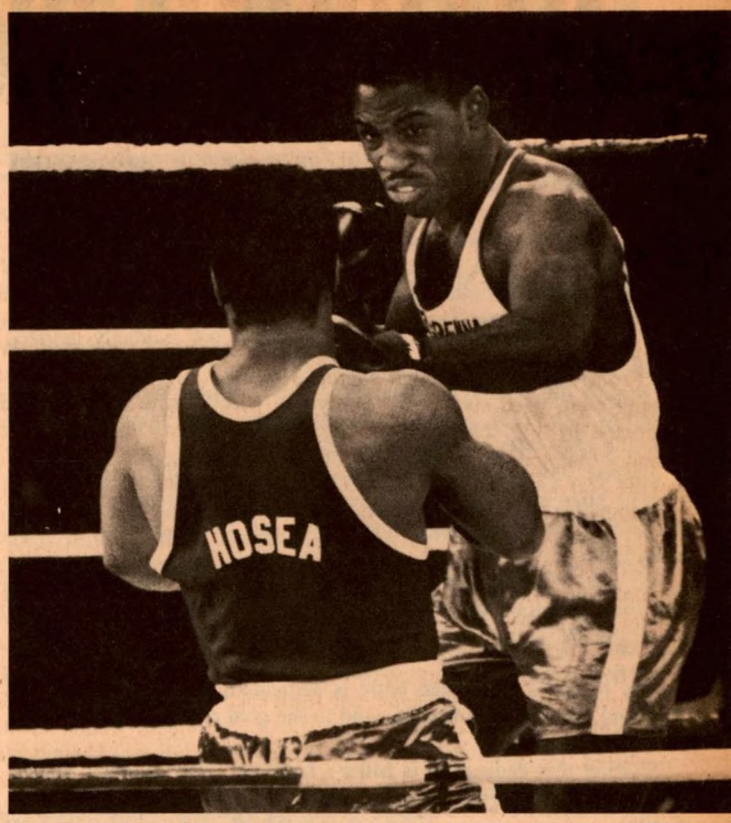
Two knockout artists met for the light heavyweight championship. The weight limit is 178 lb. Alvino Manson, Indianapolis, tangled with Leroy Murphy, Chicago. The Hoosier caught Murphy with a wicked left hook early in the first round for a standing eight-count. While the crowd was cheering their local hero's success, Murphy silenced them and his opponent with a vicious body punch. That blow gave Murphy the victory in the first round with a knockout.

The long-awaited heavyweight scrap between Phillip Brown, Lafayette, Louisiana, and Marvis Frazier, Pennsylvania, son of former heavyweight champion "Smokin' Joe" Frazier, concluded the evening. Frazier won a decision over the taller foe. This was a hard-fought battle with the Pennsylvania scrapper displaying very quick hands with a good variety of punches and much stamina.

Pennsylvania won the team title, with Knoxville, Tennessee, coming in a close second.

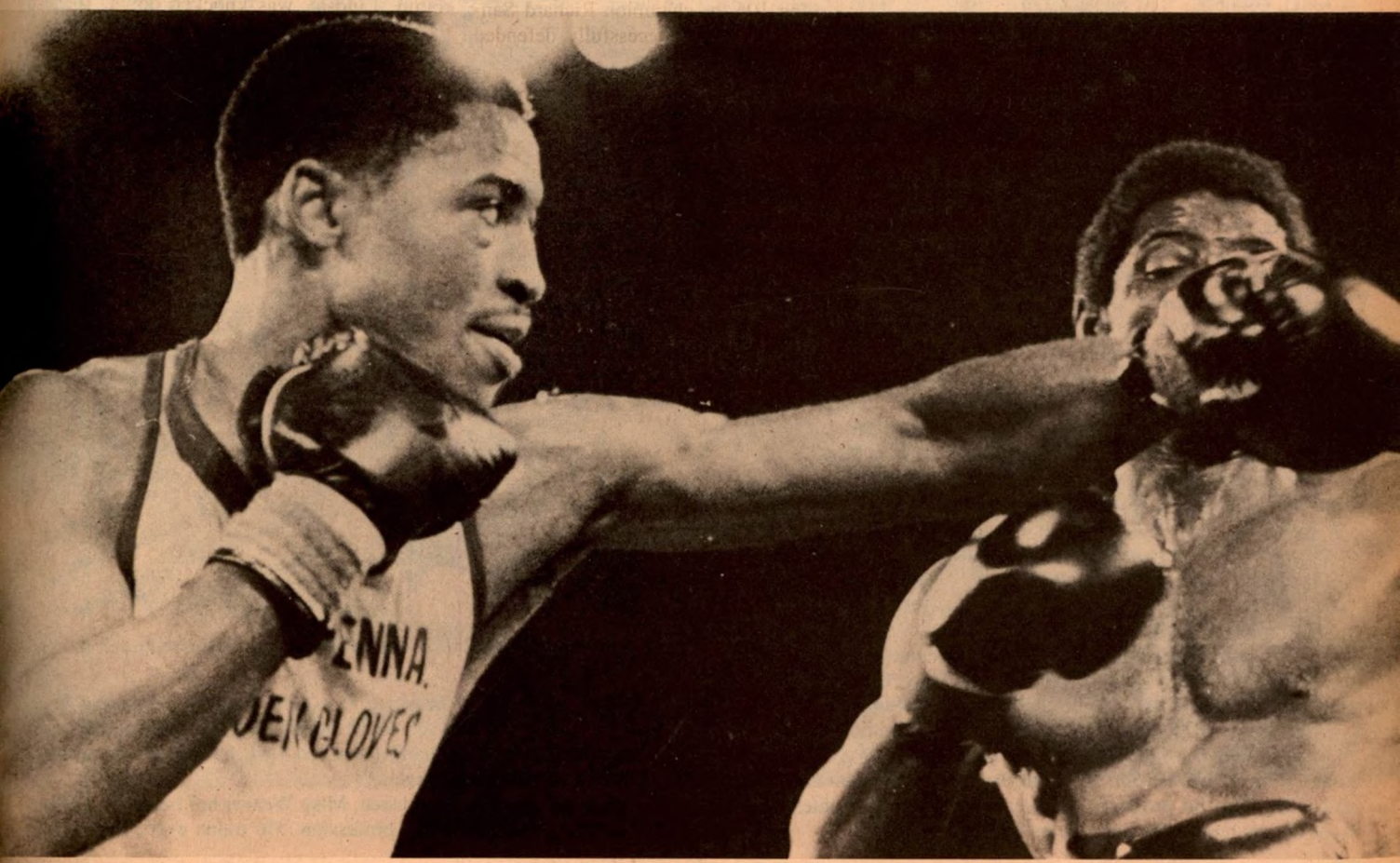
Congratulations are in order for Don Bates and Mike DeFabis, co-chairmen of this smooth and efficiently-run four-day event.

Shreveport-Bossier, Louisiana, will host the 1980 Golden Gloves National Tournament of Champions, to be held from March 26 to March 29, 1980.



Marvis Frazier lands a left jab on the jaw of William Hosea of Chicago. This was in the semi-finals of the heavyweight open competition, won by Frazier. (Photo by Jerry clark)

Frazier lands a hook on Phillip Brown of New Orleans in the finals. Marvis won this fight on points and took the title. The Philly fighter is, of course, the son of "Smokin' Joe."



WHO IS MIKE WEAVER?

By SHIRLEY NORMAN

"Who is Mike Weaver?" is the question flying in fistic circles these days.

Who is this little-known heavyweight who has suddenly realized a fighter's dream–a shot at a world title?

Despite his relatively unheralded status, Mike Weaver, who is slated to fight WBC champion Larry Holmes next month, comes to this title bout with an impressive list of credentials.

Weaver has four titles to his credit. He was All-Marine Heavyweight champion and All-Service champion. Currently, he is the Nevada State heavyweight champion, and the U.S. heavyweight champion.

Weaver has other assets going for him as well. One is the most awesome physique in the heavyweight ranks. Weaver's body–a model of ebony perfection–has earned him the nick-name of "Black Hercules".

The fighter's Herculean body is dedicated, along with his mind and soul, to the art of boxing, and to the goal of winning the world heavyweight title.

Sharing this dedication is Mike's manager, Don Manuel, who is responsible for snaring the golden dream of a title bout for his young fighter.

Manuel, a tiny, feisty dynamo, never misses a chance to promote his prize protege.

Says Manuel: "Right now everybody is asking 'Who is Mike Weaver?' " Well, pretty soon the whole world is going to know who he is. Just remember–only a year ago everybody was asking 'Who is Larry Holmes?' " Nobody knew about Larry until he beat Ken Norton for the WBC title. And it was just six years ago that people were saying 'Who is Ken Norton?'. Nobody really heard of Ken Norton until the night he broke Muhammad Ali's jaw. So we aren't concerned at all about people asking 'Who is Mike Weaver?'. Because pretty soon, the name Mike Weaver will be known all over the world!"

The loquacious Don Manuel is a direct contrast to his quiet, soft-spoken fighter.

Weaver, for all his imposing physique, is quiet to the point of shyness. "I like to do my talking in the ring", he offered.

Mike Weaver's road to boxing prominence has been a rocky one. Born to a religious Baptist family that includes twelve brothers and four sisters, Weaver found himself in rough financial straits after leaving the Marine Corps.

"I had no intention of becoming a professional fighter", he states. "I did it to get out of work! I didn't train very much at first, and I had a manager who put me in a lot of mismatches. I just got to where I didn't care. I wanted to quit boxing and start preaching".

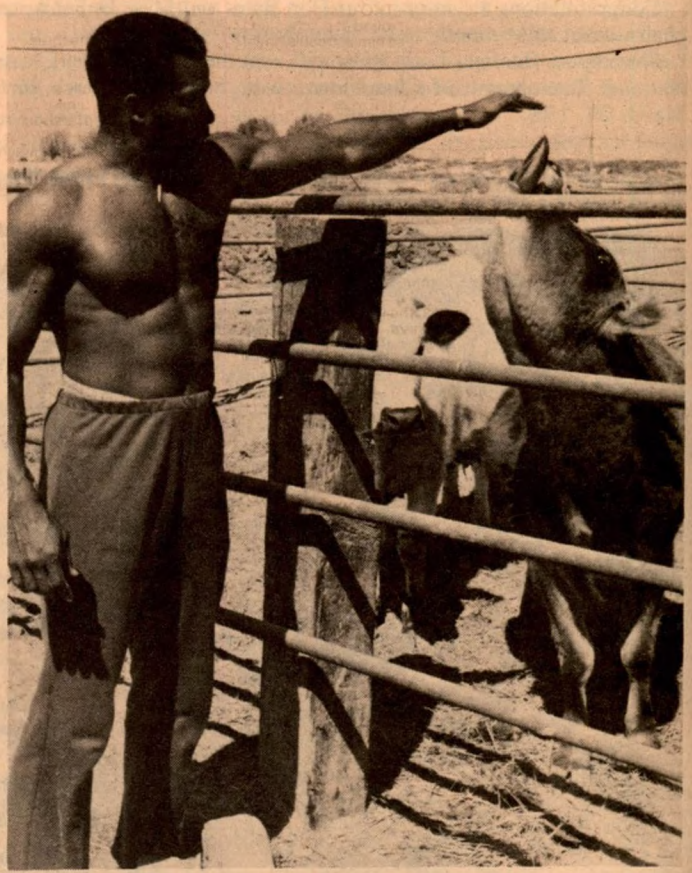
"But", continued Mike, "all that has changed now. I'm very serious about my boxing career; and I'm gonna stay serious from now on. I'm lucky now that I have a manager who talks fighting to me constantly. Don really keeps me on my toes".

Manuel, who has managed many fighters in the Los Angeles area, has found his prize in 26-year old Mike Weaver. Manuel is father, advisor, and mentor to his charge.

And it is Manuel who has gotten Weaver numerous bouts–many in the Las Vegas area under the banner of Tony Trudnich's Sahara fight nights, held in association with *The Ring* Magazine.

Says Manuel: "I don't believe in signing a fighter unless I can move him. But I'm careful who I put in the ring with Mike. We've gotten a lot of work from Mr. T. at the Sahara hotels in Las Vegas and Reno. But no promoter has any options on my fighter. We'll fight for anybody who can give us the right deal".

"Black Hercules" is what they call Mike Weaver. He has what is probably the most awesome physique in the heavyweight division.



Mikes loves animals. Here he takes time out from training.

Manuel continued: "Mike isn't too close to many people, but he's become close to me. I teach about boxing, and I teach him about life as a whole. At first, he didn't listen too well, inside the ring or out. But now, all that has changed."

Under Don Manuel's guidance, Mike Weaver has become a fighter thoroughly dedicated to his profession. He trains every day at the

Olympic gym in Los Angeles, knowing all the while that boxing is his ticket to fame and riches.

"I work especially hard at putting my punches together", says Weaver. "The way I like to fight is inside".

Now that Mike Weaver has been signed for the all-important title bout against Larry Holmes, his training has become tough and intense.

The Weaver fury has become unleashed, both in training and in the ring. It was especially noticeable when he won the U.S. heavyweight title recently from Stan Ward. This victory was particularly gratifying, since Weaver had lost a twelve-round decision to Ward last year.

Another defeat Mike Weaver is determined to avenge is the one to Leroy Jones–the man who beat him by decision to win the North American Boxing Federation heavyweight title.

This decision was highly disputed by many fans attending the bout at the Sahara Hotel in Las Vegas. Weaver was a heart-broken man after this loss, and vowed to quit the ring forever.

However, Don Manuel's mental coaching and Mike Weaver's new, steel determination have changed that thinking.

"I'd like to fight Leroy Jones again," states the soft-spoken Weaver. "I'll get that title from him next time around. I'd also like to fight every heavyweight in the top ten. I'll take on Spinks, Young, Lyle, Shavers, Norton, any time. I think I can beat any heavyweight in the world!"

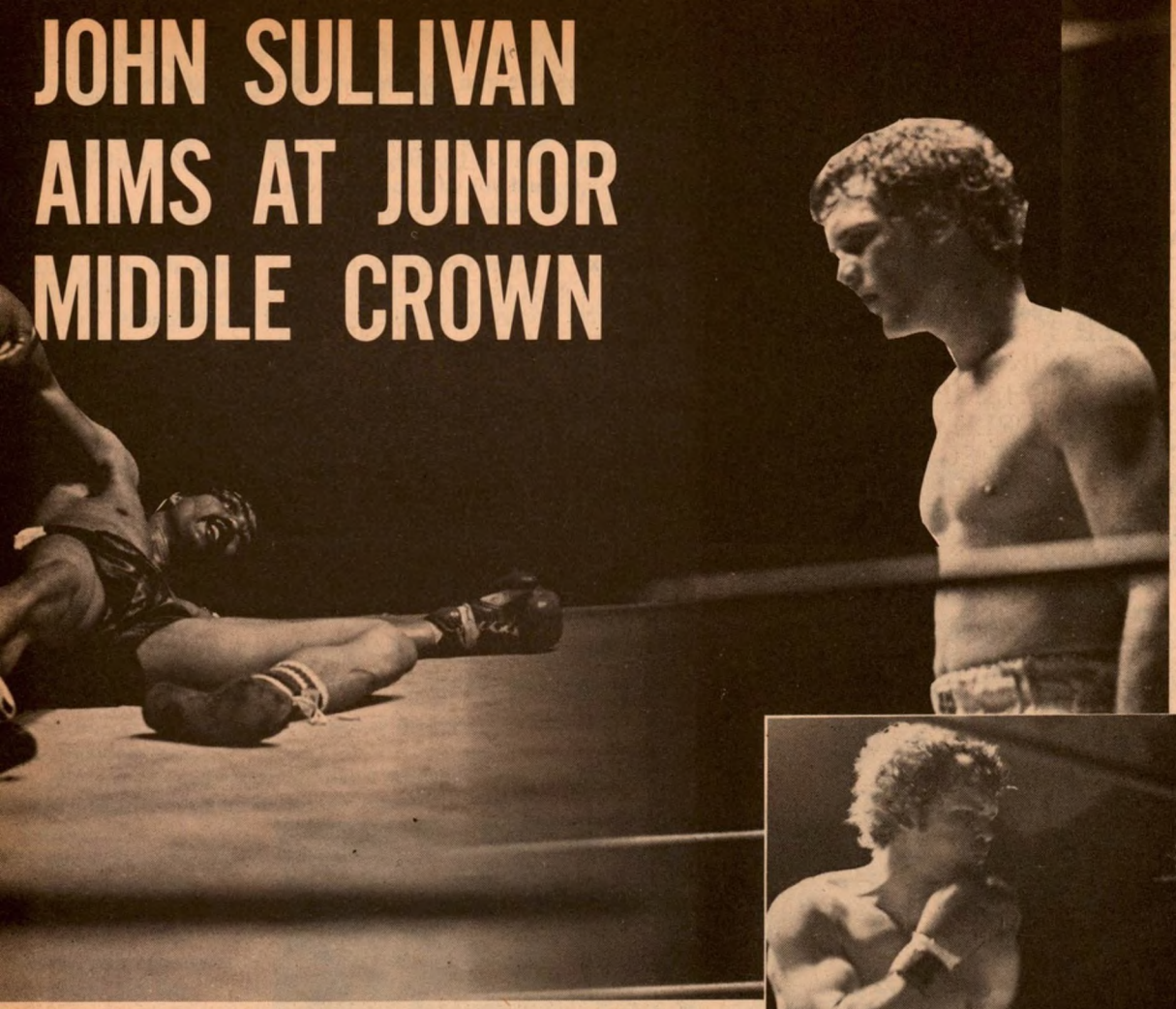
Now, however, all thoughts of other heavyweights in the top ten have been put aside while Weaver gets ready, mentally and physically, for his chance of a lifetime–a WBC title shot against Larry Holmes.

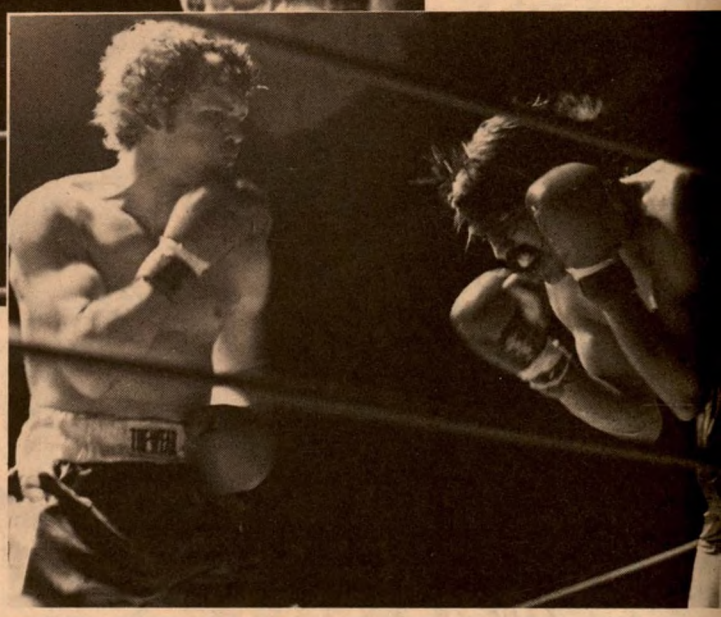
"This is the most wonderful thing that could happen to a fighter–and to a manager", exclaims Don Manuel. "We aren't making a lot of noise about this, but, inside, we're both so happy we could shout. Mike is ecstatic and so am I. I've known managers who have worked for fifty years without getting a title shot for any of their fighters. This is our golden opportunity–and we're going to make the most of it!"

Mike Weaver is, naturally, planning some specific strategy for handling champion Holmes in the ring. *(Continued on page 57)*

Weaver sends Oliver Phillips into dreamland in the fourth round of their scheduled twelve-rounder.

JOHN SULLIVAN AIMS AT JUNIOR MIDDLE CROWN





(Left) John Sullivan looks on as opponent Freddy Larna lies on the canvas. Sullivan knocked Larna out in the sixth round. (Below) Sullivan, left, has Larna in trouble prior to the knockout.

By KELLY NICHOLSON

In the eyes of manager Mike Morton, the Northwest's outstanding junior middleweight is a throwback to some of the super champions of yesteryear. "Harry Greb, Mickey Walker," insists Mike, "the great ones. One at a time, he has shown me all of the things that make a winner. The chin, the hands, everything. We're in business."

The words of praise are deservedly heaped upon 23-year old John Sullivan, a multi-year winner of the Golden Gloves who currently stands 11-1 as a professional.

With seven knockouts to his credit, he is the snappiest boxer-puncher to come down the local pike in some years, a lightning-fisted stylist who can lay out an opponent with a single shot to head or body. And he can do the job with either hand.

Born May 6, 1956, John became a three-time senior division Gloves winner at sixteen, and followed the accomplishment with one title after another in the next four years. "I had a good year in 1974, and won six of 'em," he says, retaining the New Orleans brogue of his early teens, and showing not a trace of boast. "But I lost out in the '76 finals to Clint Jackson. Otherwise, I would have gone to Montreal."

After running off four consecutive wins in the paid ranks, John dropped a six-round decision in Los Angeles that remains the only blemish on his record. It was a verdict that still makes Morton wince. Since that time, he has continued to cut his way through the far west competition in fluid style, and has established himself as an obvious crowd pleaser in the process. Fellow Gloves titlist Larry Smith fell in three, the victim of a searing shot under the heart. No-less-formidable Willie Baldwin lasted through six, before a spirited pace and a back injury combined to take their toll.

Still, the most refreshing thing about Johnny is his attitude. His years as a devout boxing fan and an amateur competitor have shown him that there is no quick path to the top, and he approaches the task with noticeable insight and maturity.

"I want to establish myself as a ten-round fighter," he explains, "and continue to build on what I've got."

"I want to fight guys that mean something, improve myself each time out. And before long, I'll go after (Rocky) Mosely and the national (jr. middleweight) title.

"Mike sees a guy that's right for me, and then we talk it over. One thing is for sure—if I don't make it, it won't be because I had the wrong manager."

The confidence in Morton is well placed, considering that Mike has piloted such men as Ray Lampkin, Andy Kendall, and Mike Colbert to title bouts and positions of world rank in recent years.

His ten-round Nevada victories over Clarence Howard and Greg

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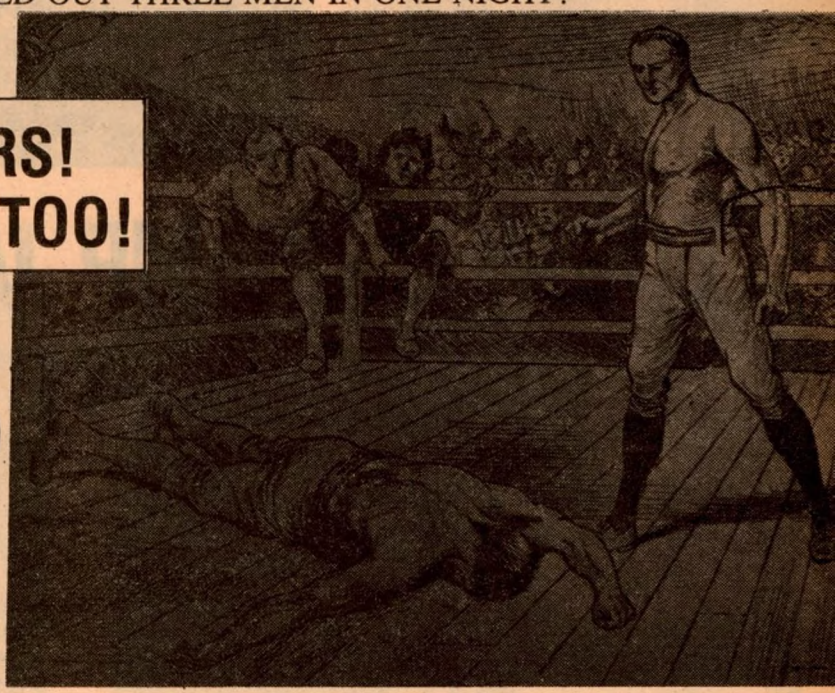

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(Above) Rare photograph shows Jack, right, with former heavyweight contender Tom Sharkey in 1929. (Right) Tony Fuente, Hymie Miller, and Sharkey in California, 1932.

FORMER CHAMP JACK SHARKEY: AN EXCLUSIVE INTERVIEW

By PROF. LAWRENCE McNAMEE, East Texas State University

If Jack Sharkey had run for president back in the twenties, he would have carried every state in the Union along with Alaska and Cambodia. No athlete of the time exuded such fascinating virility, and few matinee idols were blessed with such devastating good looks and charisma. The girls went gaga. Today, the jet-black hair has grown thin, the panther-like walk has lost some of its briskness, but the Boston Gob is still revered and beloved everywhere he goes–except that he doesn't go anywhere. When popular periodicals record the activities of past champions, he is conspicuously absent. When the Sugar Rays and Jersey Joes stroll down the aisle at Vegas or Madison Square along with the Brown Bombers and Black Uhlans, the Weeping Warrior just ain't there. To probe the mystery of the forgotten champion, I traveled from Texas to New Hampshire to record the following interview. I took Amtrack to Boston, and Jack met me at the Hampton bus station where we drove the sixteen miles to his Epping retreat.

Q: *"According to the New York writers, you have become a recluse. What are you running away from?"*

A: "I'm not running away from anything. It's just that I found something here in New Hampshire. You can't find a better place for fishing and hunting. This old frame house was our summer home when the kids were growing up. My wonderful wife was born in this house. I haven't moved anything in it since she died. I was on my way to the cemetery to visit her. I do it every morning. Why don't you come along and then we'll have some bacon and eggs at the cafe."

Q: *"As we drove back from the cemetery, you pointed out so many places where you used to fish and hunt, I marvel you didn't make a living as a fisherman or become editor of Field and Stream."*

A: "I started out as a fisherman. When I was a kid I used to catch bass with my bare hands and then sell them. Old-timers still remember me walking down the street carrying eels on my back. The Jewish people always bought the eels. I've given fly-casting demonstrations all over the United States and Canada. Was invited to give a demonstration in Helsinki once but there was no provision to take my wife. You could stand across the street from this cafe with a cigarette in your mouth and I could cast a fly and take it out."

Q: *"I just don't have any cigarettes right now. But let's go into the cafe and talk about how you got started in boxing. Back in Rochester, Frank Catanese used to have so many fights in school that he decided to get paid for it. Was that your background?"*

A: "I never had any fights growing up, and I'll whisper the reason if you won't print it." (After the whisper) "I was forced into fighting. While serving on the *USS Rochester* (that was Dewey's old flagship), I was enjoying some boxing bouts when a midshipman came up to me, handed me some boxing trunks, and told me to substitute in the next fight. There I was sitting between them two turrets, and he pointed at me. All I knew was that if I didn't fight, I wouldn't get my leave in Oslo. I never knew what I was starting."

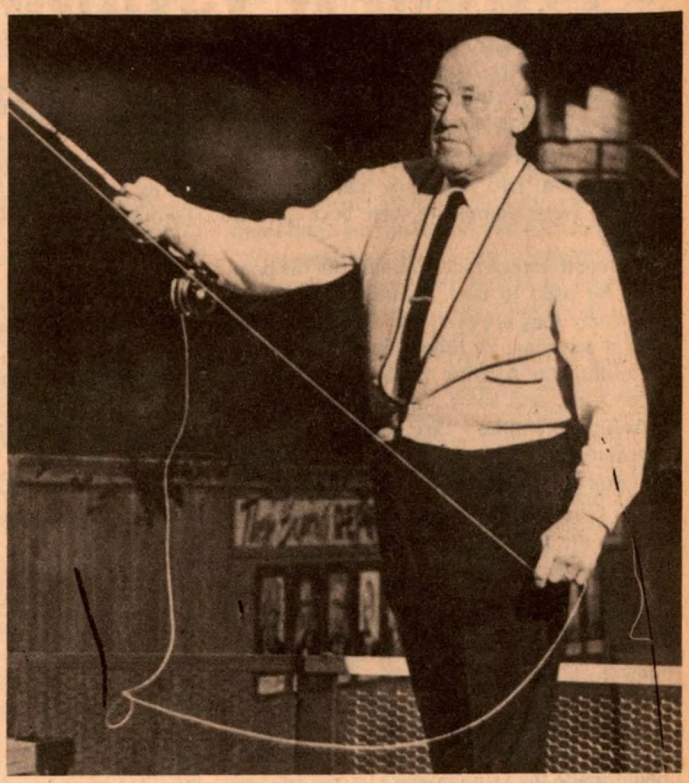
Q: *"How many fights did you have in the Navy and how far did you do?"*

A: "Well, I had 25-30 fights and became champion of the Atlantic Fleet. There was no money involved. For a purse you got some ice cream, but your mouth was too sore to eat any. This was back in 1922-23 in the banana fleet."

Ernie Schaaf and Sharkey on Chestnut Hill, Mass. The two men never met inside the ring.

January 29, 1929. Mr. and Mrs. Jack Sharkey arrive in Washington, D.C. en route to Miami, Florida, where Jack was scheduled to meet Young Stribling in Flamingo Park on February 27.

Mrs. Sharkey keeps time as Jack does his roadwork up on Chestnut Hill. This was taken a few months after the Sharkeys were married.



Jack Sharkey as he looks today. He's one of the top flycasters in the country.

Q: *"Just before you were discharged from the Navy, you had your first professional fight and received a hundred dollars. That was the time when you changed your name to 'Sharkey,' which you saw on a pawn-shop."*

A: "The part about the pawn-shop isn't true. I took the name 'Sharkey' after Tom Sharkey, who had been a sailor like me, and 'Jack' from Jack Dempsey, who was my idol. The promoter told me he'd give me a hundred dollars if I'd find another name. 'Nobody can pronounce Joseph Paul Cukoshay,' he said. I could see that hundred dollars floating away. I won the fight in thirty seconds."

Q: *"Then you changed your name legally, right?"*

A: "Yes, I was married as Jack Sharkey. The only problem came when I became friends

with Gentleman Jim Corbett. He kept telling me that I had the wit of the Irish, the blarney of the Irish, the luck of the Irish. He would not believe I was Lithuanian until I started speaking it. I can still speak it but have trouble reading it."

Q: *"In the old days, a boxer used to have about twenty preliminary bouts before he got a main bout. My neighbor, Teddy Yarosz, made it in nineteen and later became middleweight champ. But your third fight was a main event and with your seventh fight you stepped into the national picture. How did that happen?"*

A: "You mean the Floyd Johnson fight? Yes, Floyd was a contender for the title, and he needed a tune-up for his coming fight with Jess Willard. But I won and spoiled the plan. That was the only time my wife ever came to see me fight. She'd always stay in the hotel room and pace the floor until she heard me coming up the stairs or talking outside."

Everybody slaps a table now and then in a cafe to emphasize a point, but when Sharkey slapped it with his ponderous paw in the most effortless gesture, plates rattled at the other end of the counter and coffee-cups capsized. Then I noticed the reason why. There was something freakish, almost inhuman, about his upperbody structure.

Q: *"What size shirt do you wear?"*

A: "I can never get a factory-made shirt that fits. You met Phil Esty, my best friend. Fortunately, his wife is a seamstress. I buy a shirt with a size nineteen neck and she tailors it for me so that I can breathe. You're interested in education. Let me show you Exeter Academy, the prep school for Harvard, Yale, and Princeton. Did you know that three governors of New Hampshire were born here in Epping?"

Enroute to Exeter, Jack pointed out the pond where he used to take his kids fishing, the river where they always went skating, and the hill that was ideal for tobogganing, some land overlooking the Atlantic that he wanted to buy for his kids, and some stone fences that ran for twenty-five miles. "We got more deer and pheasants here than we got people. But why don't you ask about the Romero Rojas fight?"

Q: *"OK, I will. How come he knocked you out? All the boxing historians speculate that you didn't take him seriously."*

A: "I did take him seriously. I even went to New York to see him fight Floyd Johnson. Johnson knocked him out, and I had licked Johnson. I should have won. Nobody ever asked me why I lost. It was simple. I had just got married and was doing too much honeymooning. But since I only got married once, I never made the same mistake. Rojas became a chef later on, and when I went to visit him, he ran away. Bleep, I wasn't mad at any opponent. I even used to pray before each fight that there would be no permanent injury to me or to my opponent. Once the sheriff of Fort Worth had me thrown in jail and then came up to the cell and laughed, 'ain't you sorry now that you beat me back in Boston?' Me and Sully Montgomery had fought in 1925 and now that he was sheriff he sent two deputies out to the plane to pick me up. I didn't know it was a joke at the time.

Q: *"Before I forget, did anybody ever tell you that if you hadn't become a boxer you would have had some sort of an executive position. Back in the cafe I made the only serious attempt in my life to pick up the tab, and you told me to drop it. You made no threat or gesture, but something in your voice told me to meekly drop it. There's something unusual about you. Something unique."*

A: "Well, I'm decisive."

Q: *"It's more than that."*

A: "I'm emphatic. But I've always been the boss. In the Navy, I always had a position of authority, and when I was only seventeen I was foreman in the Endicott Johnson Shoe Factory at $125.00 a week. Just recall that in 1919 a loaf of bread cost six cents and a suit of clothes about fifteen dollars."

Q: *"Okay, back to your career. You began it in 1924 and in '25 had ten fights beginning with a fight in New York?"*

A: "Yes, that January fight in New York should have told me something about New York. We didn't make enough to pay transportation. My opponent, Jack Demave, was the golden boy ticketed for greatness, but here again I spoiled somebody's plan by winning when I wasn't supposed to."

Q: *"Your two losses that year were to Charlie Weinert and Bud Gorman. Did they have anything in common?"*

A: "Both were excellent boxers. They were not hitters, lucky for me. I started out as a puncher but became a boxer-puncher when I started to protect my hands. I guess the best boxer I ever faced was Tommy Loughran. Tommy's style was somewhat like Cassius Clay's, except that he wasn't as tall. I have a lot of respect for Loughran. He does a lot of good work for the church."

Q: *"In 1926, you had nine bouts and nine victories. By today's standards that's a lot of leather pushing, nineteen fights in two years."*

A: "By today's standards yes. That's why it's difficult to compare fighters of today with those of yesterday. We had five boxing clubs in Boston alone. Some guys would fight two to three times a week and never leave Boston. Sam Langford told me he used to come to a fight and hope to substitute."

Q: *"Wasn't it in '26 when you had to appear before the Boxing Commission for 'carrying' a fighter?"*

A: "Yes, that was Eddie Huffman. When I came back after the second round I told my cornerman my hand might be broken. William Muldoon, the commissioner, let me off, even though I once knocked out a Muldoon."

Q: *"It's easy to see how you hurt your hands. You started out fighting at 181 and were to fight such giants as George Godfrey, Harry Wills, and Homer Smith, all in 1926."*

A: "That's part of it because I would be swinging up from an awkward position. Also my style of bobbing and weaving made me a dead duck for bad hands. Ever since the Harry Wills fight in '26, I had three sets of knuckles. Nobody knows the pain a fighter goes through when he has bad hands. There's no pain worse except labor pains."

Q: *"When you fought Harry Wills, the odds were heavily in favor of the 'Black Panther.' He had lost only two fights in ten years (and in one he broke his arm), and Dempsey always avoided him. Then you came along and beat him. Round one was even, and you won every round after that."*

A: "There's a lot to say about that fight, but remember I got him at the tail end of his career. He was no chicken. I was twenty-four and he was ten years older. But he always trained for a long fight and knew how to lure you into openings."

Q: *"Why didn't Dempsey fight him?"*

A: "It wasn't Dempsey so much as Jack Kearns, the manager, or Tex Rickard, the promoter. See, this wasn't too long after Jack Johnson, the White Hope period, and all that racial tension. Except that I hurt my hand in the Wills fight, it was good for me, a big purse of $13,000. My manager had hounded Paddy Mullins, who was Wills' manager, for so long that I guess they figured if we're not going to get a Dempsey fight then we might as well take on this young punk. They never said that in so many words, but these are my thoughts on what they were thinking."

Q: *"The papers say that you won on a foul but some of my kin folk who saw the fight say that you won on a knockout. Who's right?"*

A: "Both are right. The official version was 'winner on foul,' but I had him knocked out. I always suspected that since the betting odds were so heavy on Wills, and since all bets are off on a foul, they decided to call it a foul and keep everybody happy."

Q: *"Boxing historians say that you were at your peak in 1927: McTigue, Maloney, and Dempsey. Wasn't McTigue ahead of you on points when the fight ended?"*

A: "If it had been a ten-rounder, he would have won, but I put him away in the twelfth. I needed fourteen stitches in the mouth from one of his vicious rights. But he was ahead on points. The McTigue fight brought in $35,000; the Maloney, $49,000; and Dempsey, $211,000."

Q: *"The Maloney fight, your fourth with Maloney, wasn't it on the same night as Lindberg's historic flight?"*

A: "Yes, and between rounds they had a minute of prayer because Lindberg was officially lost at sea. It was a huge crowd, and even though ringside was only $12.50, it brought in over $300,000. There were so many people on those special boats from Boston that they almost sank. Maloney was a terrific puncher, a terrific puncher and a scrapper. I was always afraid that if Maloney ever knocked you down, he just might kick you. He was a toughie."

Q: *"Wasn't it Tex Richard's plan for Maloney to fight Dempsey to give Dempsey a tune-up before the second Dempsey-Tunney fight?"*

A: "That was the plan, but when I beat Maloney, then they were stuck with me and

I fought Dempsey. However, even if I had beat Dempsey, I think the second Dempsey-Tunney fight would have gone on. It was a natural, a golden match. You know the golden rule–whoever has the gold makes the rule."

Q: *"The high-point of your career, in my opinion, was the Dempsey fight. You fought Dempsey with his own style, won every round, and had him on verge of a knockout several times. Everybody sitting along the third base side and left field saw the low blow and said you were fouled four times in the seventh round and should have been awarded the fight on the foul. But there were other writers who don't believe you were fouled."*

A: "All they need do is look at the films of the fight. It's obvious. I begged Dempsey for another bout, but once in Boston he told me he would never fight me again. I'll say this for him: he was the hardest hitter I ever faced, and here I'm talking about the fair punches. My manager said I was fouled eleven times."

Q: *"Didn't your manager try to reverse the decision and you told him to forget it?"*

A: "That's right. It was all in the game. There had never been a fight like this before and never one since: a million-dollar live gate for a non-title fight. That would be about three million today.

"But I had so much to be thankful for: a happy marriage, which is the world's greatest bargain, a wonderful family, a chance to look after my widowed mother, and than a lot of material benefits like the mansion on Chestnut Hill, a chauffeur, two maids, gardener, governess, and so forth. I sent Mom ten grand after this fight."

Q: *"I've read that Tex Richard offered you a championship fight with Tunney. Is that true?"*

A: "I don't think that's true. It is true that Tunney posted a five-thousand dollar bond to fight me once in Boston and withdrew, but he had a good reason: he had a chance to fight Dempsey for the title. On another topic, I've been with Tunney several times and I knew in my heart that I could have licked him, and I felt he, too, knew I could beat him. If we were fighting, I would not let him dance like he did with Dempsey. I'd just turn to the referee and say 'tell him to fight.' You may get booed by the crowd, but he would have to fight."

Q: *"You helped cover the battle of the long count for the Hearst papers, so you were close to the scene. Do you think Gene could have made the count of nine if Dempsey had gone immediately to a neutral corner?"*

A: "I doubt it. His eyes were glazed, and he looked groggy, at least to me."

Q: *"In '28, you scored a one-round knockout over Jack Delaney but had a loss to Risko and a draw with Heeney. Any comment?"*

A: "I had beaten Johnny Risko before and I may have been playing the big shot and got beat. Risko was a terrific body puncher and kept coming at you like a buzz-saw. Both Risko and Heeney could take a punch. Heeney was like a stone wall. You hit one of these guys flush on the lug and he keeps coming at you and you say to yourself, 'How do I get out of this ring, where's the exit, the hell with trying to knock him out, I'm just busting my hands!' For the Risko fight, we had Jimmy Johnson in my corner. We were having a lot of trouble with the New York press, and we thought this contact would help. We lost the fight and the press stayed the same. You know, win some, lose some."

Q: *"How about Mickey Walker, the Toy Bulldog?"*

A: "He was a murderous hitter, and tough. Too bad my movie projector isn't working or I could show you how he would bounce off the canvas without taking a count and tear into you with a left hook. Man, he was tough."

Q: *"Let's talk about Schmeling. There's a story that, after Schmeling was awarded the title on a foul, his manager locked the dressing-room door until he had time to find a second groin cup which he hit with a sledge hammer and covered with water before showing it to reporters. Now maybe that's apocryphal."*

A: "Apocryphal. Well, I don't know much about the bible, Professor, but I do know that I had won every round, was way ahead on points, and had no need to foul. Anyhow, I won the next fight and the title. One of the judges said it was the best fight of my life. I believe his name was Kelly."

Q: *"You had two fights with Carnera. In the first one, you beat him decisively, knocked him down for the first time in his career, and after winning just about every round left the ring without a mark. In The New York Times, John Kieran said that the left hook you landed on Carnera's chin made the grand-stand quiver and the pots and pans in the concession kitchen dance the rhumba on their hooks. But then you started to get out of the ring. Why?"*

A: "Primo had quit and had disqualified himself. I thought I should have been given credit for a knockout then. But I didn't know I was the first one to knock him down. This interview is really bringing back a lot of pleasant memories. Maybe that's why we love the past. We know how it came out."

Q: *"In the first Carnera fight, the writers said that Primo's right hand was useless. Not so in the second?"*

A: "That was the big surprise. It was a right that took away my title. But for me this was the longest period between fights, and I had lost my sense of distance. The physique, the form was still there, and the mental image, but there was still a lot of blubber that I hadn't sweated off, blubber that comes with age. But Primo had improved. Don't forget he defended the title twice, one of the times against a master boxer like Tommy Loughran. Just like I caught Harry Wills at the tail end of his career, so Primo got me, coming down."

Q: *"Can you recall an instance where you were losing a fight and your corner detected the error and you were able to turn a defeat into victory?"*

A: "Offhand, I can't recall a single instance. What they see down there is entirely different from what's up here. It could be a ruse that your opponent is using to try to trap you. Every guy is a great fighter in the first row. One second says 'do this,' and your manager says 'do that.' All you really want is a mouthful of water and someone to loosen your gloves, and by that time, the bell will ring. And I'm not taking anything away from John Buckley, my manager, or from the cornermen, Al Lacey and Tony Polozzolo. I had the best."

On the journey back from Exeter to Epping, I was continually edified by his infatuation with the outdoors ("You can get a deer at this crossroads if you sit quiet,"), or his devotion to his family ("My boy caught some trout in that there pond out of season, but it was Daddy's money that paid,"), or his dedication to the right order of things ("Look at that paint peeling off that house, all because that Polack didn't scrape and prime it first"). Then he recalls that it's a holy day of obligation and heads for Mass. "Now that we have a Polish pope, I guess we shouldn't talk about that Polack back there. But it bothers me. I do all my own maintenance, painting, plumbing, and housekeeping. Didn't I show you where I converted a three-holer into a tool shed?"

As we sauntered home after Mass, it was obvious that Jack Sharkey was not only the town's most famous resident but also its most revered and beloved. One senior citizen, as tall and erect as a New England church steeple told me, "I saw Jack give away twenty suits in one afternoon." A college student who looked like he had just stepped out of *The Last Picture Show* urged me to get Jack to enter the New Hampshire primaries. "He's held every honorary office in the state except homecoming queen."

Back in the white frame house, I noticed other evidence of his amiability: a bulging address book and three hundred Christmas cards. "I've answered every one of them; it's nice to be remembered, but hell to be forgotten." When he suspected I was looking at the two shot-guns, he commented, "Yep, I keep 'em loaded, and there's a few pistols you don't see. I learned early to keep my left high enough to protect. To protect my family, I started a trust fund in '28. Made good money as a referee and at my bar (was always my own bookkeeper), but I put it in a trust fund for my family: three kids, fourteen grandchildren, and ten great grandchildren. A burglar wouldn't get anything here–just buckshot."

Q: *"You have a good voice, why didn't you do some acting like other fighters did?"*

A: "Aside from Gentleman Jim and Max Baer and maybe one other, all those boxers did a bleep bleep job of acting. I had an offer from Hollywood and even went out there (See that picture of me and Joe E. Brown and the gal who was in *Gone with the Wind*). But, though the money was good, I found it too phony. Had to come back to family. Same with New York; I stayed there overnight only once. I can't understand this marriage of boxing and entertainment. Today, athletes are entertainers or become entertainers, and every boxing event features some show people on

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WORLD RATINGS

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HEAVYWEIGHTS
(over 175 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPIGN

MUHAMMAD ALI* ..... Chicago, Ill.
1–Larry Holmes** ..... Easton, Pa.
2–Leon Spinks ..... St. Louis, Mo.
3–Kallie Knoetze ..... South Africa
4–Earnie Shavers ..... Warren, Ohio
5–Lorenzo Zanon ..... Italy
6–Alfredo Evangelista ..... Spain
7–Ken Norton ..... San Diego, Calif.
8–Mike Weaver† ..... Los Angeles, Calif.
9–Gerrie Coetzee ..... South Africa
10–John Tate ..... Knoxville, Tenn.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
(not over 175 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPIGN
TITLE VACANT

1–Victor Galindez* ..... Argentina
2–Matt Franklin** ..... Philadelphia, Pa.
3–Alvaro (Yaqui) Lopez ..... Stockton, Calif.
4–Mike Rossman ..... Turnersville, N.J.
5–John Conteh ..... England
6–Marvin Johnson ..... Indianapolis, Ind.
7–James Scott ..... Rahway, N,J.
8–Jesse Burnett, ... Los Angeles, Calif.
9–Marvin Camel ..... Butte, Mont.
10–Rudi Koopmans ..... Holland

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
(not over 160 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

HUGO CORRO ..... Argentina
1–Marvin Hagler† ..... Brockton, Mass.
2–Vito Antuofermo ..... Italy
3–Charlie Weir ..... South Africa
4–Mike Colbert ..... Portland, Ore.
5–Marcos Geraldo ..... Mexico
6–Alan Minter ..... England
7–Mustafa Hamsho ..... Syria
8–Ronnie Harris ..... Akron, Ohio
9–Gert Steyn ..... South Africa
10–David Love ..... Los Angeles, Calif.

JUNIOR MIDDLEWEIGHTS
(not over 154 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

MASASHI KUDO* ..... Japan
1–Ayub Kalule ..... Uganda
2–Maurice Hope** ..... England
3–Rocky Mosley Jr.† ..... Las Vegas, Nev.
4–Tony Chiaverini ..... Kansas City, Mo.
5–Rocky Mattioli ..... Australia
6–Marijan Benes ..... Yugoslavia
7–Edgar Ross ..... Orlando, Fla.
8–Frank Wissenbach ..... Germany
9–Angel Espada ..... Puerto Rico
10–Andoni Amana ..... Spain

WELTERWEIGHTS
(not over 147 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

WILFRED BENITEZ** ..... Puerto Rico
1–Jose Cuevas* ..... Mexico
2–Ray Leonard ..... Palmer Park, Md.
3–Pete Ranzany† ..... Sacramento, Calif.
4–Thomas Hearns ..... Detroit, Mich.
5–Roberto Duran ..... Panama
6–Carlos Palomino ..... Los Angeles, Calif.
7–David Green ..... England
8–Clyde Gray ..... Canada
9–Randy Shields ..... Los Angeles, Calif.
10–Harold Weston ..... New York, N.Y.

JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS
(not over 140 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

ANTONIO CERVANTES* ..... Colombia
1–Estaban DeJesus ..... Puerto Rico
2–Saoul Mamby ..... New York, N.Y.
3–Sang Hyun Kim** ..... South Korea
4–Joe Kimpauani ..... Zaire
5–Miguel Montilla ..... Dominican Rep.
6–Sean O'Grady ..... Oklahoma City, Okla.
7–Bruce Curry ..... Los Angeles, Calif.
8–Adolph Viruet ..... Phoenix, Ariz.
9–Jose Luis Heredia ..... Spain
10–Lennox Blackmoore ..... Guyana

LIGHTWEIGHTS
(not over 135 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
TITLE VACANT

1–Jim Watt** ..... Scotland
2–Claude Noel ..... Trinidad, W.I.
3–Vilomar Fernandez ..... Dominican Rep.
4–Johnny Lira† ..... Chicago, Ill.
5–Herman Montes ..... Los Angeles, Calif.
6–Alfredo Pitalua ..... Colombia
7–Howard Davis ..... Glen Cove, L.I., N.Y.
8–Giancarlo Usai ..... Italy
9–Termite Watkins ..... Houston, Texas
10–Julio Valdez ..... Dominican Rep.

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS
(not over 130 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

SAMUEL SERRANO* ..... Puerto Rico
1–Alexis Arguello** ..... Nicaragua
2–Frankie Baltazar ..... Los Angeles, Calif.
3–Rafael Limon ..... Mexico
4–Bobby Chacon ..... Los Angeles, Calif.
5–Ernesto Espana ..... Venezuela
6–Arturo Leon ..... Phoenix, Ariz.
7–Victor Echegaray ..... Argentina
8–Carlos Hernandez ..... Spain
9–Natale Vezzoli ..... Italy
10–Greg Coverson ..... Columbus, Ohio

FEATHERWEIGHTS
(not over 126 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

DANNY LOPEZ** ..... Los Angeles, Calif.
1–Eusebio Pedroza* ..... Panama
2–Reuben Castillo† ..... Bakersfield, Calif.
3–Cecilio Lastra ..... Spain
4–Roberto Castanon ..... Spain
5–Mike Ayala ..... San Antonio, Texas
6–Juan Malvarez ..... Argentina
7–Hector Carrasquilla ..... Panama
8–Eddie Ndukwe ..... South Africa
9–Ruben Olivares ..... Mexico
10–David (Poison) Kotey ..... Ghana

JUNIOR FEATHERWEIGHTS
(not over 122 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

WILFREDO GOMEZ** ..... Puerto Rico
1–Ricardo Cardona* ..... Colombia
2–Nicky Perez† ..... Phoenix Ariz.
3–Sergio Palma ..... Argentina
4–Jose Caba ..... Dominican Rep.
5–Babe Jiminez ..... Colombia
6–Juan (Kid) Meza ..... Las Vegas, Nev.
7–Soon Yun Chung ..... South Korea
8–Javier Flores ..... Salt Lake City, Utah
9–Soo Hwan Hong ..... South Korea
10–Leo Cruz ..... Dominican Rep.

BANTAMWEIGHTS
(not over 118 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

JORGE LUJAN* ..... Panama
1–Carlos Zarate** ..... Mexico
2–Lupe Pintor ..... Mexico
3–Alberto Davila ..... Los Angeles, Calif.
4–Juan F. Rodriguez ..... Spain
5–Roberto Rubaldino ..... Mexico
6–Alfonso Zamora ..... Mexico
7–Oscar Muniz ..... Los Angeles, Calif.
8–Andres Hernandez ..... Puerto Rico
9–Al Sandoval ..... Los Angeles, Calif.
10–Ricardo Bennett ..... Panama

FLYWEIGHTS
(not over 112 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

CHAN-HEE PARK** ..... South Korea
1–Yoko Gushiken ..... Japan
2–Miguel Canto ..... Merida, Mexico
3–Betulio Gonzalez* ..... Venezuela
4–Guty Espadas ..... Mexico
5–Shoji Oguma ..... Japan
6–Netrnoi Vorasingh ..... Thailand
7–Charlie Magri ..... England
8–Joey Olivo ..... Los Angeles, Calif.
9–Franco Udella ..... Italy
10–Kim Sung-Jun ..... South Korea

VICTOR GALINDEZ
MATT FRANKLIN
FIGHTERS OF THE MONTH

This month's co-winners are the new WBC and WBA light heavyweight champions: Victor Galindez, Argentina, WBA, and Matt Franklin, Philadelphia, Pa., WBC.

Galindez became the first WBA light heavyweight king to regain the title with a ten round TKO victory over Mike Rossman, Turnersville, N.J. Rossman won the crown from Galindez via a thirteenth round TKO last year.

Matt Franklin won the WBA title via eight round TKO over Marvin Johnson, Indianapolis. Franklin had kayoed Johnson in twelve in 1977. Matthew now gives up his U.S. title, which is vacant.

Champions: *WBA **WBC †U.S.

HEAVYWEIGHTS: Lorenzo Zanon won the European title by beating Alfredo Evangelista, 15. Zanon moves into the fifth spot; Alfredo goes to six. Coetzee, inactive, drops from seven to nine. Norton from 6 to 7, inactive. Ocasio drops out to make room for Zanon.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS: Galindez is now one and Rossman is four, Franklin remains two and Johnson drops to six. Conteh drew with Jessie Burnett and is now five. Jesse is eight, with Parlov out.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS: Mike Colbert beat Rudy Robles moves from five to four; Geraldo, inactive, falls from four to five. Robles drops out and is replaced by Ronnie Harris, who defeated Edgar Wallace in twelve.

JUNIOR MIDDLEWEIGHTS: Alfredo Cabral drew, falls out of tenth spot. Andoni Amana, Spain, beat Antonio Perez, replaces him.

WELTERWEIGHTS: Ray Leonard beat Adolph Viruet, still two; Ranzany beat Prada and Hearns beat Hayman; both hold their ratings from last month; Duran's victory over Heair moves him from seven to five, Inactive Palomino and Green; fall a spot each.

JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS: Lennox Blackmoore moves from ten in the lights to ten in the jr. welters, He replaces the man he beat, Nani Marrera.

LIGHTWEIGHTS: Jim Watt beat Pitalua to win WBC title, moves from six to one. Pitalua drops from four to six; Noel victory over Gaetan Hart moves him from five to two. Inactive Fernandez and Lira fall to three and four. Montes' win over Rivera moves him seven to five; Howard Davis' kayo over Usai brings him into the rankings in the seventh spot. Giancarlo falls from three to eight. Inactive Watkins and Valdez fall to nine and ten.

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS: Baltazar beat Frank Ahumada, moves from three to two, Limon drew with Chacon, drops from two to three. Chacon remains four; Espana's kayo over Ed Bracety moves him from six to five. Inactive Leon falls from five to six.

FEATHERWEIGHTS: Juan Malvarez's two victories move him from seven to six; Carrasquilla's defeat to Pedroza in a WBA feather title bout drops him from six to seven. Eusebio remains number one.

JUNIOR FEATHERWEIGHTS: Perez's two wins, Ramon Aginage and U.S. title defense Mel Johnson, moves him from three to two. Palma inactive, drops from two to three; Meza's victory over Jose Cruz, moves him from nine to six. Inactive Korea's Chung and Hong, fall from six and seven to seven and nine.

BANTAMWEIGHTS: Zarate's kayo over Kpalongo moves him into the top spot. Pintor falls to two. Zamora, inactive, falls from three to six, with Davila, Rodriguez and Rubaldino all moving up because of Zamora being dropped. Rubaldino did score a win over Frank Granados.

FLYWEIGHTS: Udella falls from six to nine, inactive; Kim Sung-Jun, who drew with unranked Rey Melendez, Dominican Rep., in a WBC jr. flyweight title bout, falls from seven to ten. Vorasingh, Magri, and Olivo all move up a spot each due to the above fighters being dropped.

PROSPECTS FOR THE MONTH

NAME	DEBUT	BOUTS	WON	LOST	DRAWS	KO'S
HEAVYWEIGHT						
Michael Dokes	10/76	12	12	0	0	4
Akron, Ohio						
LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHT						
Mickey Goodwin	11/77	15	15	0	0	7
Detroit, Mich.						
JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHT						
Curtis Ramsey	8/76	16	9	5	2	4
Portland, Ore.						
JUNIOR FEATHERWEIGH						
Derick Holmes	6/78	6	6	0	0	4
Washington D.C.						

UNITED STATES RING RATINGS

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HEAVYWEIGHTS

* MIKE WEAVER, Los Angeles, Calif.
1–Leon Spinks, St. Louis, Mo.
2–Earnie Shavers, Warren, Ohio
3–Ken Norton, San Diego, Calif.
4–John Tate, Knoxville, Tenn.
5–Ossie Ocasio, Puerto Rico
6–Ron Lyle, Denver, Colo.
7–Leroy Jones, Denver, Colo.
8–Willie Shannon, Orlando, Fla.
9–Jimmy Young, Philadelphia, Pa.
10–Scott LeDoux, Minneapolis, Minn.
11–Gerrie Cooney, New York, N.Y.
12–Dino Dennis, Attleboro, Mass.
13–Mike Dokes, Akron, Ohio
14–Eddie Gregory, Brooklyn, N,Y.
15–Kevin Isaac, New York, N.Y.
#Muhammad Ali, Chicago, Ill.
XX–Larry Holmes, Easton, Pa.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS

* TITLE VACANT
1–Alvaro (Yaqui) Lopez, Stockton, Calif.
2–Mike Rossman, Turnersville, N.J.
3–Marvin Johnson, Indianapolis, Ind.
4–James Scott, Rahway, N.J.
5–Jessie Burnett, Los Angeles, Calif.
6–Marvin Camel, Butte, Mont.
7–Carlos DeLeon, Puerto Rico
8–Vonzell Johnson, Columbus, Ohio
9–Ramon Ranquilla, Union City, N.J.
10–Bobby Cassidy, Brentwood, L.I., N.Y.
11–Sal San Filippo, Jersey City, N.J.
12–Mickey Goodwin, Detroit, Mich.
13–Jerry Martin, Philadelphia, Pa.
13–Jerry Celestine, New Orleans, La
14–Tommy Evans, Los Angeles, Calif.
XX–Matt Franklin, Philadelphia, Pa.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS

* MARVIN HAGLER, Brockton, Mass.
1–Mike Colbert, Portland, Ore.
2–Ronnie Harris, Akron, Ohio
3–David Love, Los Angeles, Calif.
4–Rudy Robles, Los Angeles, Calif.
5–Bennie Briscoe, Philadelphia, Pa.
6–Mike Baker, Washington D.C.
7–Bobby Watts, Philadelphia, Pa.
8–Edgar Wallace, Phoenix, Ariz.
9–Sandy Torres, Puerto Rico
10–Mel Dennis, Houston, Texas
11–Dwight Davison, Detroit, Mich.
12–William Scypion, Houston, Texas
13–Sammy NeSmith, Indianapolis, Ind.
14–Tony Licata, New Orleans, La.
15–Gary Guiden, Munice, Ind.

JUNIOR MIDDLEWEIGHTS

* ROCKY MOSLEY JR., Las Vegas, Nev.
1–Tony Chiaverini, Kansas City, Mo.
2–Edgar Ross, Orlando, Fla.
3–Angel Espada, Puerto Rico
4–Alvin Anderson, Baltimore, Md.
5–Larry Bonds, Denver, Colo.
6–Johnny Sullivan, Portland, Ore.
7–Jerry Cheatman, Phoenix, Ariz.
8–Wilson Bell, Detroit, Mich.
9–Marvin Jenkins, Charleston, S.C.
10–Freddy Johnson, New Orleans, La.
11–Carlos Santos, Puerto Rico
12–Ray Phillips, Dallas, Texas
13–Steve Gregory, Columbus, Ohio
14–Roger Leonard, Palmer Park, Md.
15–Ken Croom, Los Angeles, Calif.

WELTERWEIGHTS

* PETE RANZANY, Sacramento, Calif.
1–Ray Leonard, Palmer Park, Md.
2–Thomas Hearns, Detroit, Mich.
3–Randy Shields, Los Angeles, Calif.
4–Harold Weston, New York, N.Y.
5–Johnny Gant, Washington D.C.
6–Manuel Jiminez, Puerto Rico
7–Domingo Ayala, Puerto Rico
8–Andy Price, Los Angeles, Calif.
9–Dale Staley, Hillcrest Hgts., Md.
10–Howard Jackson, Los Angeles, Calif.
11–Scott Clark, Orlando, Fla.
12–Jimmy Jackson, Los Angeles, Calif.
13–Louis Resto, New York, N.Y.
14–Victor Abraham, Los Angeles, Calif.
15–Nino Gonzalez, Bayonne, N.J.
#–Wilfred Benitez, Puerto Rico.

JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS

* TITLE VACANT
1–Esteban DeJesus, Puerto Rico
2–Saoul Mamby, New York, N.Y.
3–Sean O'Grady, Oklahoma City, Okla.
4–Bruce Curry, Los Angeles, Calif.
5–Adolph Viruet, Phoenix, Ariz.
6–Jimmy Corkum, Boston, Mass.
7–Tony Petronelli, Brockton, Mass.
8–Sammy Ayala, San Antonio, Texas
9–John Turner, New York, N.Y.
10–Willie Rodriguez, Allentown, Pa.
11–Luis Davila, Hartford, Conn.
12–Curtis Ramsey, Portland, Ore.
13–Jimmy Heair, Memphis, Tenn.
14–Leroy Haley, Las Vegas, Nev.
15–Monroe Brooks, Los Angeles, Calif.

LIGHTWEIGHTS

* JOHNNY LIRA, Chicago, Ill.
1–Herman Montes, Los Angeles, Calif.
2–Howard Davis, Glen Cove, L.I., N.Y.
3–Termite Watkins, Houston, Texas
4–Andrew Ganigan, Honolulu, Hawaii
5–Jorge Morales, Las Vegas, Nev.
6–Arcadio Suarez, New York, N.Y.
7–Aaron Pryor, Cincinnati, Ohio
8–Edwin Viruet, Puerto Rico
9–Hilmer Kenty, Columbus, Ohio
10–Reynaldo Zaragonza, Los Angeles, Calif.
11–Ruby Ortiz, New York, N.Y.
12–Billy Parks, Denver, Colo.
13–Enrique Solis, Puerto Rico
14–Louis Huebla, New York, N.Y.
15–Felix Perez, Brooklyn, N.Y.

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS

* TITLE VACANT
1–Frankie Baltazar, Los Angeles, Calif.
2–Bobby Chacon, Los Angeles, Calif.
3–Arturo Leon, Phoenix, Ariz.
4–Greg Coverson, Columbus, Ohio
5–Walter Seeley, Sayville, L.I., N.Y.
6–Luke Ervin, Jersey, City, N.J.
7–Ernest Bing, Atlantic City, N.J.
8–Alex Alatore, Los Angeles, Calif.

9–Gonzalo Montellano, Los Angeles, Calif
10–Alex Oregel, Los Angeles, Calif.
11–Jerry Kornele, Houston, Texas
12–Roy Hernandez, San Antonio, Texas
13–Nacho Jiminez, Los Angeles, Calif.
14–Edwin Luis Rivera, Hoboken, N.J.
15–Robert Perez, Houston, Texas
#–Samuel Serrano, Puerto Rico

FEATHERWEIGHTS

* REUBEN CASTILLO, Bakersfield, Calif.
1–Mike Ayala, San Antonio, Texas
2–Gerald Hayes, E. Orange, N.J.
3–Beto Nunez, Phoenix, Ariz.
4–Jimmy Farrell, Rockland, Mass.
5–Alberto Collazo, Pittsburgh, Pa.
6–Warren Matthews, New Orleans, La.
7–Jimmy Martinez, Houston, Texas
8–Frank Ahumada, Los Angeles, Calif.
9–Alfonso Evans, Philadelphia, Pa.
10–Jerome Artis, Philadelphia, Pa.
11–Bobby Everett, Boston, Mass.
12–Augie Pantellas, Philadelphia, Pa.
13–Juan LaPorte, New York, N,Y.
14–Sammy Goss, Trenton, N.J.
15–Gaby Cantera, San Antonio, Texas
#–Danny Lopez, Los Angeles, Calif.

JUNIOR FEATHERWEIGHTS

* NICKY PEREZ, Phoenix, Ariz.
1–Juan (Kid) Meza, Las Vegas, Nev.
2–Javier Flores, Salt Lake City, Utah
3–David Ramalho, Lowell, Mass.
4–Frank Duarte, Los Angeles, Calif.
5–William Berry, Trenton, N.J.
6–Eddie Logan, Seattle, Wash.
7–Earl Large, Phoenix, Ariz.
8–Rocky Lockridge, Seattle, Wash.
9–Mel Johnson, Los Angeles, Calif.
10–Jose Rosa, Puerto Rico
11–Isaac Vega, Chicago, Ill.
12–Cookie Valencia, Salt Lake City, Utah
13–Derrik Holmes, Washington D.C.
14–Ernesto Rios, Los Angeles, Calif.
15–Daryl Jones, Los Angeles, Calif.

BANTAMWEIGHTS

* TITLE VACANT
1–Alberto Davila, Los Angeles, Calif.
2–Oscar Muniz, Los Angeles, Calif.
3–Andres Hernandez, Puerto Rico
4–Al Sandoval, Los Angeles, Calif.
5–Jeff Chandler, Philadelphia, Pa.
6–Richard Rozelle, Columbus, Ohio
7–Julian Solis, Puerto Rico
8–Andres Torres, Puerto Rico
9–Artemo Jerome, Los Angeles, Calif.
10–Ignacio Osorio, Los Angeles, Calif.
11–David Capo, New York, N.Y.
12–Leo Randolph, Seattle, Wash.
13–Paul Pecheco, Los Angeles, Calif.
14–David Vasquez, New York, N.Y.
15–Jimmy Magnifico, Jersey City, N.J.

FLYWEIGHTS

* TITLE VACANT
1–Joey Olivo, Los Angeles, Calif.
2–Jose Ortiz, Puerto Rico
3–Willie Jansen, Las Vegas, Nev.
4–Orlando Maldonado, Puerto Rico
5–Fred Jackson, Memphis, Tenn.
6–Mario Chavez, Los Angeles, Calif.
7–Mike Stuart, Los Angeles, Calif.
8–Freddy Gonzalez, Los Angeles, Calif.
9–Salvatore Vasquez, Los Angeles, Calif.
10–Arturo Tebaqui, Phoenix, Ariz.

* U.S. Champion
\# World Champion
X WBA Champion
XX WBC Champion

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WORLD-WIDE FIGHT RESULTS

HEAVYWEIGHTS
Lorenzo Zanon whipped Alfredo Evangelista, 12
(European Heavyweight Title)
Mike Creel halted Dwight Hams, 4
Jim Ingram beat Lynn Ball, 6
Ron Lyle halted Samoan Fili Moali, 8
Steve Aczel halted Fetiaki Namoa, 9
Willie Shannon beat Jim Ingram, 10
Marty Monroe halted Abdul Khan, 2
Mike Creel halted Dennis Haggerty, 2
James Tillis halted Rocky Lane, 1
Sugar Bear Williams stopped Bob Dodson, 1
Ron Cecchetti won over Ralph Cuomo, 4
Luke Capuano stopped Baker Tinsley, 3
Greg Sorrentino beat Jim Beattie, 10
Chris Reeder halted Standly Williams, 3
George Chaplin stopped Jerry Thopkins, 9
Bernardo Mercado halted Trevor Berbick, 1

LIGHTHEAVYWEIGHTS
Victor Galindez halted Mike Rossman, 10
(WBA Lightheavyweight Title)
Matt Franklin stopped Marvin Johnson, 8
(WBC Lightheavyweight Title)
Mustapha Wassaja beat Jerry Celestine, 8
Jessie Burnett and John Conteh Drew, 10
Tony Mundine halted Marc Ecimovic, 2
(Australian Heavyweight Title)
Jim Ingram halted Emeteric Villanueva, 8
Mickey Goodwin stopped Percy Hairston, 1
Carlos DeLeon halted Manny Freitas, 1
Ted Sanders whipped Richard Abbott, 6
Niua Tofaeno stopped Gary Yeates, 3
Charles Roye was smoked by Niua Tofoeno, 1
Don Fitzsimmons stopped James Kelley, 3
Matt Ross halted Grover Robinson, 6
Grover Robinson halted Larry Jackson, 1
Eric Winbush beat Willie Stallings, 6
Julius Dickens stopped Ted Hamilton, 5
Jerry Celestine kayoed Lonnie Bennett, 3

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
Charlie Merritt beat Gary Yeats, 4
Mike Baker beat Ricky Weigel, 10
William Scypion stopped Johnny Heard, 2
Mike Colbert kayoed Rudy Robles, 11
Ronnie Harris beat Edgar Wallace, 12
Jacinto Fernandez beat Jacinto Fernandez, 10
Otis Gordon stopped Clyde Mudgett, 9
Joe Barrientes stopped Mike Garcia, 5
Al Clay beat Alex Porrata, 10
Dan Long stopped Hugo Fuat, 2
Frank Walls halted Frank Mattera, 1

JR. MIDDLEWEIGHTS
Sandy Torres stopped Jesus Castro, 12
Eddie Marcelle whipped Ray Hammond, 10
Spider Davies beat Benny Tabua, 10
Wilson Bell beat Kevin Mofield, 8
Eddie Marcelle beat Ray Hammand, 10
Ken Croom halted Johnny Laine, 4
Wilson Bell beat Kevin Moefield, 8
Alvin Anderson stopped Dale Staley, 3
Carlos Santos kayoed Mario Ramos, 8
Larry Bonds beat Howard Jackson, 12
Jose Luis Baltazar lost to Zeferino Gonzalez, 10
Freddie Johnson halted Tony Licata, 4
Frank Lawson halted Ward Jones, 6

WELTERWEIGHTS
Coli Galicha halted Roberto Despi, 6
Greg Stephens stopped Neil Pattel, 9
Perico Fernandez stopped Justice Ortiz, 7
Sam Hailstock was smoked by Colin Jones, 4
Louis Resto beat Earl Liburd, 10
Victor Abraham beat Agapito Ramirez, 10
Danny Donnatto stopped Jesse Lara, 1
Ed Modicue beat Curtis Taylor, 12
Andy Price beat Billy Miller, 10
Idika Nsofor beat Pat Barry, 6
Roberto Duran beat Jimmy Heair, 10
Mario Medino stopped Mattin Jiminez, 4
Carlos Lara was stopped by Eliazar Castro, 6
Alfredo Perez beat Jose Villasana, 6
Raul Aguirre whipped Ronald Pettigrew, 10
Ray Leonard beat Adolfo Viruet, 10

JR. WELTERWEIGHTS
Erning Marin stopped Resty Boniquit, 6
Tommy Cisneros halted Fred Contreras, 2
Miguel Estrada beat Al Hughes, 10
Andres Montoya beat Angel Garcia, 4
Mike Westrich halted Charlie Merritt, 1
Ricky Samudio beat James Castillo, 4
Kelly Thompson stopped Rocky Maguire, 4
Frank Ropis beat Andy Broome, 12
Bruce Curry stopped Willie Rodriguez, 10
Willie Rodruguez halted Mike Everett, 4
Jimmy Corkum beat Hank Rosa, 10
Luis Davila whipped Jimmy Brackett, 10
Johnny Turner stopped Randy Milton,
Curtis Ramsey beat Jose Dominguez, 10

LIGHTWEIGHTS
Jim Watt stopped Alfredo Pitualua, 12
(WBC Vacant Lightweight Title)
Andrew Ganigan beat Vicente Saldivar, 12
Al Del Rosario was halted by Hermie Villanueva, 6
Mar Simbajon won over Leo Viajedor, 10
Young Dela Cruz defeated Joe Almano, 10
William Mardizon beat Art Galula, 10
Mike Benitez and Rey Bustillos, Draw 10
Javier Ayala beat Miguel Estrada, 10
Andres Montoya beat Arturo Silveria, 4
Jorge Morales beat Rogelio Castaneda, 10
Claude Noel beat Gaetan Hart, 10
Greg Liesegang halted Billy Facer, 8
Herman Montes beat Augustine Rivera, 10
Aaron Pryor stopped Norman Goins, 9
Clemente Enriques stopped Vicente Barretto, 2
Rogelio Castaneda beat Miguel Estrada, 10
Ezzard Charles Adams stopped Jose Lugo, 5
Howard Davis stopped Giancarlo Usai, 3
Correction: Tommy Rose was not stopped in the third round by Gaetan Hart, as reported in the May issue. Hart decisioned Rose in ten.

JR. LIGHTWEIGHTS
Rolando Navarrete stopped Rey Tam, 4
Arman Bangoyan beat Boy Reyes, 10
Romy Cunanan won over Rocky Genandizo, 10
Johnny Sato halted Max Boy Toyogon, 5
Rufio Rojas beat Ricky Samudio, 6
Frankie Baltazar beat Frank Ahumada, 10
Bobby Chacon and Rafael Limon drew 7 (tech)
Reuben Castillo stopped Tony Sanchez, 2
Torito Melendez halted Pedro Chavez, 1

FEATHERWEIGHTS
Eusebio Pedroza halted Hector Carrasquilla, 11
(WBA Featherweight Title)
Sandy Torres beat Baby Francisco, 10
Fel Viesca Jr. stopped Litp Pena, 4
Nene Jun lost to Dony Soriano, 10
Primo Bulambao and Nitoy Bantilan, 10
Bernie Solis halted Mar Agustin, 9
Julio Soto Solano stopped Rafael Sosa, 9
Roger Henry stopped Lindsay Roberts, 6
(Australian Featherweight Title)
Gerald Hayes stopped Arturo Tojas, 3
Charlie Nash beat Jerome Artis, 8
Valentin Holguin won over Jose Olivares, 10
Dennis Moran stopped Mauricio Garcia, 2
Francisco Alvarado beat Chocolate Rueles, 6
Gilbert Gerza halted Antonio Soria, 2

JR. FEATHERWEIGHTS
Nicky Perez beat Melvin Johnson, 12
(U.S. Jr. Featherweight Title)
Nicky Perez kayoed Ramon Aguinaga, 2
Jaime Enriquez beat Little Balsigan, 10
Rudy Patalinhug won over Roy Arcillas, 10
Jun Belemac stopped Bert Malinao, 8
Chito Adigue beat Polly Barce, 10
Ric Diamalo stopped Gony Albar, 6
Derric Holmes beat Juan Marquez, 6
Derrick Holmes stopped Ron Newby, 1
Darryl Jones beat Jose Resendez, 10
Juan Meza kaoyed Jose Cruz, 4
Chocolate Royles stopped Omar Garcia, 2
Elias DeLeon stopped Rodolfo Perez, 6
David Capo beat Leon Randolph, 8

BANTAMWEIGHTS
Jorge Lujan kayoed Cieo Garcia, 15
(World Bantamweight Title)
Eddie Miral beat Pablo Gernandizo, 10
Raffy Saulong halted Ely Barrios, 9
Jorge Lujan stopped Cleo Garcia, 15
Jeff Chandler beat Davey Vasquez, 10
Francisco Sanchez and Desi Newbill drew, 2 (tech)
Francisco Sanchez halted Pedro Marantes, 2
Jose Luis Cruz beat Juan Jose Guzman by KO, 2
Robert Rubaldino beat Frankie Granados, 10

FLYWEIGHTS
Kim Sung-Jun and Rey Melendez drew, 15
(WBC Jr. Flyweight Titlez)
Yoko Gushiken halted Alfonso Lopez, 7
(WBA Jr. Flyweight Title)
Diego De Villa beat Ric Barimbad, 10
Henry Balina won over Jun Falsario, 10
Ric Barimbad beat Andy Balaba, 10
Frank Cedeno beat Franco Torregosa, 10
George Pedroso beat Ed Cabreros, 10

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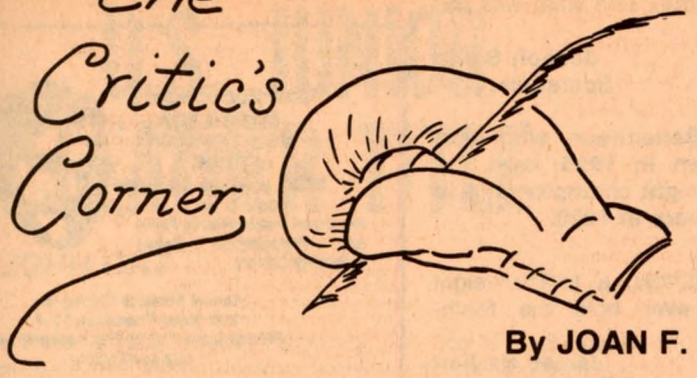


By JOAN F. LOUBET

There is an art gallery on West 57th Street in New York City called Spectrum Fine Art which is run by a sports buff named Bill Goff. He comes with impeccable credentials on both sides of the ledger: as a kid, he played football on the same team at Cheltenham, Pa., High School as Reggie Jackson, and his mother, Elaine Benson Kauffman, runs the Benson Gallery in Bridgehampton, Long Island. Bill wanted to bring art to the sports fan and sports to the art connoisseur, and has done a dandy job in a series of shows with such provocative titles as "Ball Bat and Glove," "To the Hoop: The Fine Art of Basketball," "The Athlete as Artist," and, recently, "Ringside: The Fine Art of Boxing."

It came to 57th Street after a showing in New Orleans in conjunction with the Ali-Spinks rematch, where it enjoyed the same kind of success it has met here: more with the sports crowd than the art crowd. That has been a bit of a disapoointment to Goff, who had hoped that the art-oriented people would take sports as seriously as the sports-oriented people have taken the art. It is their loss if they do not, for among the many items which, in all frankness, *would* appeal to the sports fan rather than the art collector, are a number of small gems. I have always had a weakness for the lithographs of Robert Riggs, sentimentalist that I am–the faces sometimes inscrutable, sometimes intense, telling stories of weariness, failure, hope, surrounded by cornermen and fans who did the jobs and paid the admission but weren't taking the licks. He was well represented in a couple of beauties called, respectively, "Corner #2" and "Club Figher." George Bellows' ubiquitous and marvellous "Dempsey and Firpo" could have been purchased (edition of 103) at a tag so exalted it was listed "price on request" (90% of the exhibits were for sale) and several fine Golinkens were available at prices which would not necessarily floor an art collector. A lovely watercolor, "A Left, a Right and a Left," shows how two quite different techniques can convey the same feeling of ring excitement at its height. Golinken is better known for his lithographs(there are a couple of dandies at The Ring Museum–"The Man-Killer" [Dempsey-Tunney], and Baer knocking Carnera against the ropes, which are enough to make a fan want to jump up and down), but I'd be proud to own either. Golinken, like Bellows, liked to put himself at ringside, and did.

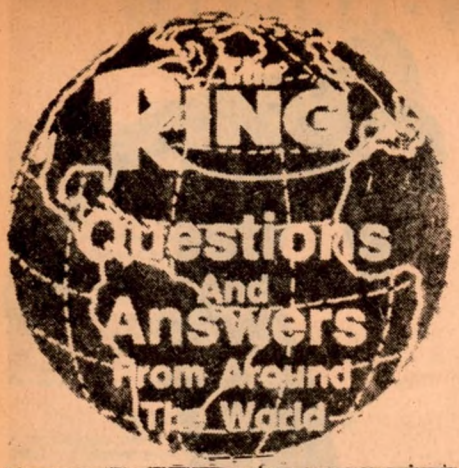
For nostalgia buffs, there is a small (36¼ x 28 3/4) painting called "The Little Fight Club, Paris, Jan. 10, 1927" which is a period piece one feels could only have been done in the twenties. For the illustration-minded, *Sports Illustrated*'s darling, Ellen Griesedieck, does some very nice crayons of Ali, one particularly dazzling "Ali-Shavers Motion Shot," and super-realist Ray Goodbred gets a good deal of nervous apprehension into the eyes of his waiting subject in his pastel of "The Contender."

Possibly the most interesting historically if not artistically is Audrey Flack's "Davey Moore," in oil. Taken from a photograph after his fight with Sugar Ramos, snapped moments before he fell into a coma and died, it is almost monotone in the browns, creamy grays, blacks and sepias except for the rusty rose-red velour of the bench. He is sitting with palms upturned and his eyes almost blank. Not for me, it is, however, a historic piece.

While the exhibit itself is over, many of the items remain at the gallery and may be seen on request. If you go (call 212-246-2525 for an appointment) don't fail to see the stunning bronzes by Joe Brown. Brown taught scupture at Princeton for thirty-nine years, and for twenty-five of them was also the university's boxing coach. A boxer himself in days of old, he knows the whereofs, and it is obvious that the "Supplicant," "Left Hook, Counter to Body," "Pieta" and "Winner" were done by a man who's been through it and has the skill to transmit the agony and muscular beauty to the beholder.

George Bellows has said, "I do not care about the expression on a prize fighter's mug. A prize fighter's muscles are his *e pluribus unum*." It is interesting to see, in an art exhibit, examples of those who agree and those who don't.

(Above) "Supplicant," a thirteen-inch bronze figure by Joe Brown, a Princeton professor of sculpture, boxing coach, and former boxer. (Below) "A Left, A Right, And A Left, "watercolor by Joseph Golinkin



When writing letters that require an answer please send along stamped self addressed envelope.

Q. George Benton, the greatest middleweight I ever saw and certainly the greatest on defense, was never floored. However, I saw in the Ring Record book thatok that he was TKO'd in the 10th round by Bennie Briscoe. Can you tell me what happened? Was he behind? How did the TKO come about and why?

Sheldon Segall
Lewiston, Maine

A. **Bennie Briscoe made a sensational debut in the middleweight ranks by stopping George Benton in the tenth round on Dec. 5, 1966. Benton was a completely beaten fighter after the ninth round, in which Briscoe forced him into a corner and pounded his body and head for almost three minutes. George insisted he wanted to continue, but his manager, Herman Diamond, demanded that the fight be stopped, and it was.**

Q. Is weight lifting good for heavyweight boxers?

Anthony Gulino
Brentwood, N.Y.

A. **Many boxers use weights for the development of their body. A trainer usually decides whether it is good for his fighter or not.**

Q. Was Paddy DeMarco of Brooklyn ever holder of the lightweight title? I say no. Please settle the bet.

James Golden
Astoria, N.Y.

A. **You lose the bet, DeMarco won the title from Jimmy Carter on March 5, 1954, fifteen rounds, and was KO'd by Carter in the return go in the fifteenth round, Nov. 17th, 1954, in San Francisco.**

Q. I've heard that Paul Berlinbach, former light heavyweight champion of the world, was once an Olympic wrestling champion. Is this true, and what was the year?

Joseph Smith
Scarsdale, N.Y.

A. **It's true. Berlenbach, who won the boxing crown in 1925, won the Olympic heavyweight championship in wrestling in Antwerp in 1920.**

Q. Did Sal Bartolo, a featherweight out of Boston, ever hold the featherweight crown?

James Bartlett
New York, N.Y.

A. **Bartolo held the NBA featherweight title with a fifteen-round decision over Phil Terranova on March 10, 1944 in Boston. However, he had little or no luck against Willie Pep for the world title. Willie beat Sal twice, first in Boston on 1943, and again in a world title bout in New York in 1949, when Pep stopped Bartolo in twelve rounds.**

Q. Harold Carter, a heavyweight out of Linden, N.J. is supposed to have beaten Bob Satterfield in two out of three meetings. True or false?

Mike Melton
Newark, N.J.

A. **True. In 1956, Carter fought Satterfield three times. He fought Bob to a draw in Miami Beach on Feb. 28th. Then Carter won a ten-round decision on March 20th. In their third meeting, in Syracuse on Aug. 1st, 1956, Carter won by a KO in five.**

Q. Do you have any record on a guy named Howard King, a heavyweight who fought out of Reno, Nevada through the late 1950s? ?

James Lacey
Lansing, Mich.

A. **Yes, King fought some of the leading contenders. In Oct., 1956, he won over George Chuvalo in eight rounds in Toronto. He was stopped by Eddie Machen and lost to Zora Folooey (KO) in 1955. Archie Moore beat him twice and fought him to one draw in 1958. He closed out the year of '58 with a ten-round loss to Harold Johnson in Chicago.**

Q. Did Davey Moore, of Springfield, Ohio, ever beat the speedy Lauro Salas? I say no. Please settle this discussion.

James Brady
Brooklyn, N.Y.

A. **You lose. Moore beat Salas by decision in a bout held in Los Angeles on June 19, 1958.**

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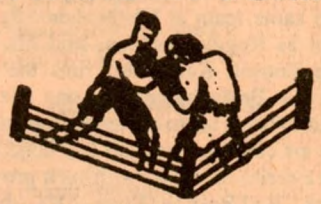

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PEREZ RETAINS U.S. JUNIOR FEATHER TITLE

By JOHN ORT

Las Vegas, Nevada–Nickey Perez, 122, retained his U.S. junior featherweight title with a decisive twelve-round decision over Los Angeles' Melvin Johnson, 122, at the Sahara Hotel Space Center.

Perez had won the vacant title a month earlier by beating Javier Flores. This was his second outing with Johnson, whom he had beaten on a ten-round split duke two months earlier.

This twelve-rounder was a war from start to finish. The finish almost came in round two, when Nicky put Mel on the deck but could not put the game warrior away.

Johnson came back in round three and, somewhere in between the third and fifth, he broke Perez's nose.

They stood toe-to-toe in the sixth, when Melvin ran into a hard right to the body and went down again. Perez tried to put him away but it was no go.

Nicky looked punched out over the next three rounds and Johnson didn't look much better. Both fired away with everything they had and Nicky had the edge.

The champion won the last three rounds big, but Johnson did not give up. He managed to land two or three big blows which staggered Perez, but didn't have enough left to finish the job.

Scoring of the bout: Lou Tabat and Duane Ford both had it 57-49, while the third judge, Harold Buck, made it 58-48–all for Perez.

A middleweight elimination bout for a shot at Marvin Hagler's U.S. crown saw number one contender Mike Colbert, Portland, Oregon, meet number two contender Rudy Robles, Los Angeles, Calif., in a rematch. Robles had won the first fight via a left hook knockout in five last year at the Reno-Sahara Hotel.

This time, the shoe was on the other foot. Colbert came out in the first round like a tiger and decked Robles with a fast right-left combo. Rudy took the count and was up at nine with a dumb smile on his face. Referee Richard Greene looked at Robles' eyes closely, twice, before he let the fight go on.

Colbert, 158½, looking like a kitten, jabbed, hit, ran, and held for the rest of the fight as Robles stood looking like he was in another world. Referee Greene looked at Rudy's eyes again and again.

Robles just would not fight. He ran after Colbert and, when catching him, just looked. He then would stand against the ropes with his hands down telling Colbert to hit him. Then he'd smile to the crowd.

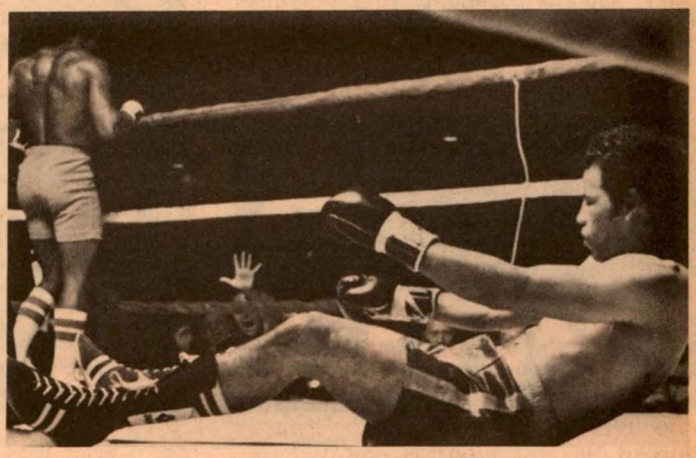
Colbert looked as if he could have ended it anytime he wanted to, but failed to do so. Maybe he still remembered the left hook which put him to sleep in Reno. He stated after the bout that he wanted to punish Robles, not knock him out.

Be that as it may, referee Greene decided to end the bout in the eleventh round as Robles clowned around, making believe he was hurt. The crowd cheered as the fight was called and Colbert was declared the winner on a technical knockout at 2:43. The bout was also for the Nevada State middleweight title.

In promoter Tony Trudnich's opening bout of the night, Larry Bonds, Denver, Colo., boxed Howard Jackson, Los Angeles, a twelve-round bout for the latter's Nevada State welterweight crown. It was also an elimination bout for a shot at Pete Ranzany's U.S. title.

Things looked bad for Bonds in the first five rounds. Jackson was aggressive and scored with left hooks to the head of Bonds, who is a southpaw. The fans, who had seen Larry before, wondered why he didn't use his stick-and-move style. It seems that Larry had two cracked ribs and was playing it safe until the sixth round, when he opened his attack.opened his attack. He took the last seven rounds from the ever pressing Jackson and was awarded a split decision.

U.S. junior featherweight champion Nicky Perez follows through with a right against Mel Johnson. Perez retained his crown with a unanimous decision.



Rudy Robles hits the deck in the first round of his scheduled twelve-rounder with Mike Colbert. Robles lost on an eleventh round TKO.

Larry Bonds, right, is shown against Howard Jackson, whom he beat by split decision. Bonds took Jackson's Nevada State title with this victory.

His real name was Henry Pylkowski, but it was as Eddie (Babe) Risko that he won the American middleweight title from Teddy Yarosz in 1935. The 5'10" Risko fought from 1934 to 1939. He died in Syracuse, March 7, 1957.

Tony Zale, one of boxing's greatest. The Gary, Indiana "Man of Steel" beat Georgie Abrams for the undisputed middle crown on November 28, 1941. Zale is most often remembered for his three-bout series with Rocky Graziano.

Lee Oma was the son of the Polish father and a Russian mother. His real name was Czjewski. Lee fought from 1939 to 1951, when he was stopped in the tenth round of a world heavyweight championship bout with Ezzard Charles.

ALL-TIME POLISH GREATS

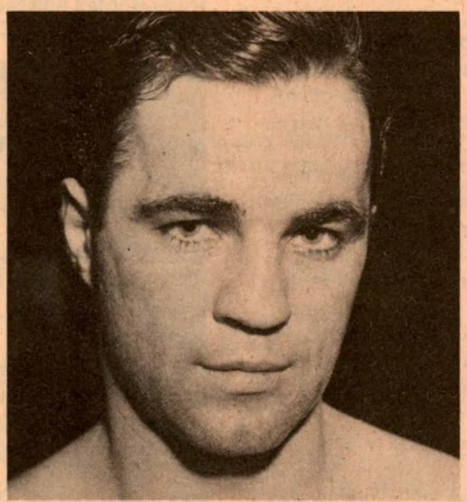
By LESTER BROMBERG

Did you ever hear of Karol Wojtyla, a hard-hitting, skillful Polish battler? It's not likely that you did, unless you prefix Cardinal or Pope to his name. The presence among us of so articulate a Polish pope stirs interest in so disparate a field as boxing. The best always excites comment and comparison everywhere, especially when it covers so wide a field as the countless years in which there have been outstanding Polish exponents in the fight game.

Champions there have been, glorious names that have rung a bell, Stanley Ketchel, Babe Risko, Teddy Yarosz, Tony Zale, Johnny Buff, and Frankie Klick. Others have been mistaken for Polish lineage by having a Slavic name, for example, Jack Sharkey (he was born Josef Paul Cukoschay, a Lithuanian), or even Fritzie Zivic, whose people came from Slovakia in Central Europe.

In any case, *The Ring* Magazine is pleased to headline a Polish-American lineup, a fitting list to go along with the Irish, the Italians, the Jews, Blacks, French, and Puerto Ricans.

Ketchel, a colorful, spectacular figure, sprang from Polish forebears over ninety years ago but his lustre still is recognized by all fans. He was christened Stanislaus Kiecal in Grand Rapids, Mich., and his whole life was typified by his ring name, "The Michigan Assassin." He came up as a welterweight, soon surged into a middleweight. Ketchel was a furied hitter who came across with either hand. His favorite battleground was the open west, Montana preferred.



Frankie Klick was born in San Francisco. Managed by Ray Carlin, he won the world junior lightweight title by kayoing Kid Chocolate in seven rounds in Philadelphia.

Eventually, Stanley reached San Francisco and his early history was compressed into three fights in that city with Joe Thomas, a twenty-round draw, a title-winning thirty-two round knockout and a twenty-round victory, all in 1907.

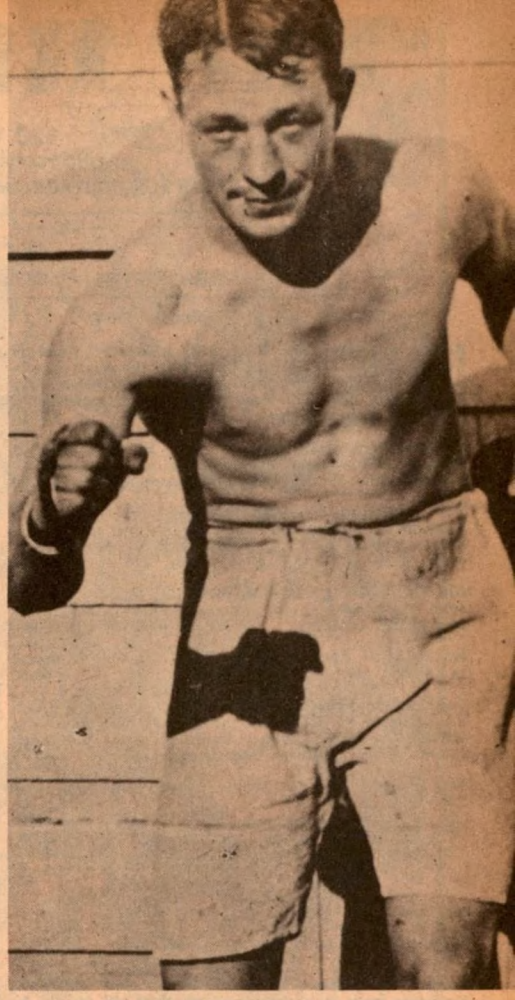
Within a year, he proved his genuine courage against Billy Papke. He was knocked out within twelve rounds at Los Angeles on Sept. 7 by Papke. He volunteered to meet him again on Nov. 26 at San Francisco, and his power came crashing through as he flattened Papke in eleven rounds and regained the crown.

It was about this time that Ketchel, all of twenty-two, began to believe his press clippings. His camp followers didn't cool him out. Willus Brett was his manager and he indulged him without limit. Wilson Mizner, celebrated Broadway wit, made a plaything of fabulous Stanley. But he fit the billing. He came east and they planned a fight for him.

He was matched with Philadelphia Jack O'Brien, a perfect pairing. O'Brien couldn't hit, though he was exceptionally clever. Ketchel didn't do a thing but punch. It was an epic, each one taking his best foot forward until the

Teddy Yarosz won the American middleweight crown from Vince Dundee via fifteen-round decision in Pittsburgh on September 11, 1934. He fought three times with Billy Conn, losing the first two and beating him in Pittsburgh on July 25, 1938.

Johnny Buff won the world bantamweight title by defeating Pete (Kid) Herman in New York, September 23, 1921. He also beat the bantamweight Jack Sharkey. Joe Lynch knocked him out in fourteen rounds, July 10, 1922.



"The Michigan Assassin," Stanley Ketchel feared no man. He knocked out Joe Thomas, Mike (Twin) Sullivan, Jack (Twin) Sullivan, Hugo Kelly, Billy Papke, and Philadelphia Jack O'Brien.

last few seconds when O'Brien went to the floor.

As it so happened, the bell saved him. Opinion was divided. It had been a splendid defensive effort but cooler heads pondered this question: how could a man win when he was sitting at the finish?

Ketchel went back west and, when he licked Papke in twenty rounds, the ballyhoo balloon went on a different tack. Jack Johnson had been having difficulties finding opponents. (Jim Jeffries was still a year away).

Thus a weird match was made between the middleweight champion and the heavyweight champion, some forty pounds between them. It seemed to the old pros to be a twenty-round exhibition, the caution with which they were going at it. Then–bang! Ketchel dropped Johnson in the twelfth. The minute the big man got to his feet, he seemed eager to return the complement. It didn't take long. Ketchel was nailed with a right, destined for the long snore. He had violated the ground rules.

Actually, Stanley was not destined to live more than a year. He was living high on the hog. He had quit training. He finally had changed his mind and gone back to a ranch at Conway, Mo. There he apparently went for a waitress, who happened to be the sweetie of a local, who toted a gun. He went for Stanley with it and that was the finish.

The legend outlives the man. When someone told Wilson Mizner heard the news, he said: "Don't worry, Ketchel will get up."

Risko and Yarosz were both of the same generation, the 1930s. Though records show that Risko (his proper name was Henry Pylkowski) won the American middleweight title from Yarosz in Pittsburgh and had a 2-1 edge over him in other bouts, many observers in that era rated Yarosz a superlative boxer while they considered Risko more of a one-tracked aggressor. You must not forget Teddy's brother Tommy. He was an able boxer, too.

The flame that flared within Zale is one which will live as long as there is appreciation for an ugly duckling. Boxing first knew Anthony Florian Zaleski when he was an amateur around Gary, Ind. In his first year, he lost eight fights. He quit and went back to the steel mills. Something kept telling him to give it another try. In 1937, under Sam Pian and Art Winch, famed as handlers of Barney Ross, Tony picked up his tempo.

The rough edges began to be smoothed down. He became a polished body-puncher and a rugged competitor. And in 1940 he hit a peak. He outlasted Al Hostak in thirteen rounds at Seattle to become the NBA middleweight champion. His wind was up; he handled high-type middleweights such as Fred Apostoli, Hostak again, and, ultimately he defeated Georgie Abrams in old Madison Square Garden for undisputed ownership of the middleweight title on Nov. 28, 1941.

But World War II cut short his career at twenty-eight and took him into the Navy. At the war's termination, Zale was five years older and his ring equipment was rusty. Yet he didn't give a mind to it. Anybody who had been an ugly duckling could start anywhere. And he did. His epic three fights with Rocky Graziano for the title unfolded thrillingly. No. 1: His resistance to the young firebolts thrown by Rocky saw him come back to a sixth-round knockout victory. No. 2: In the greatest fight Graziano ever made, Zale had to go down to a knockout defeat in six rounds. No. 3: This was the payoff. Zale was to retire if he lost, and, instead, he fought Graziano as if he was the young lion and chewed up Rocky in three rounds.

Fate foretold that Zale had to go to the well

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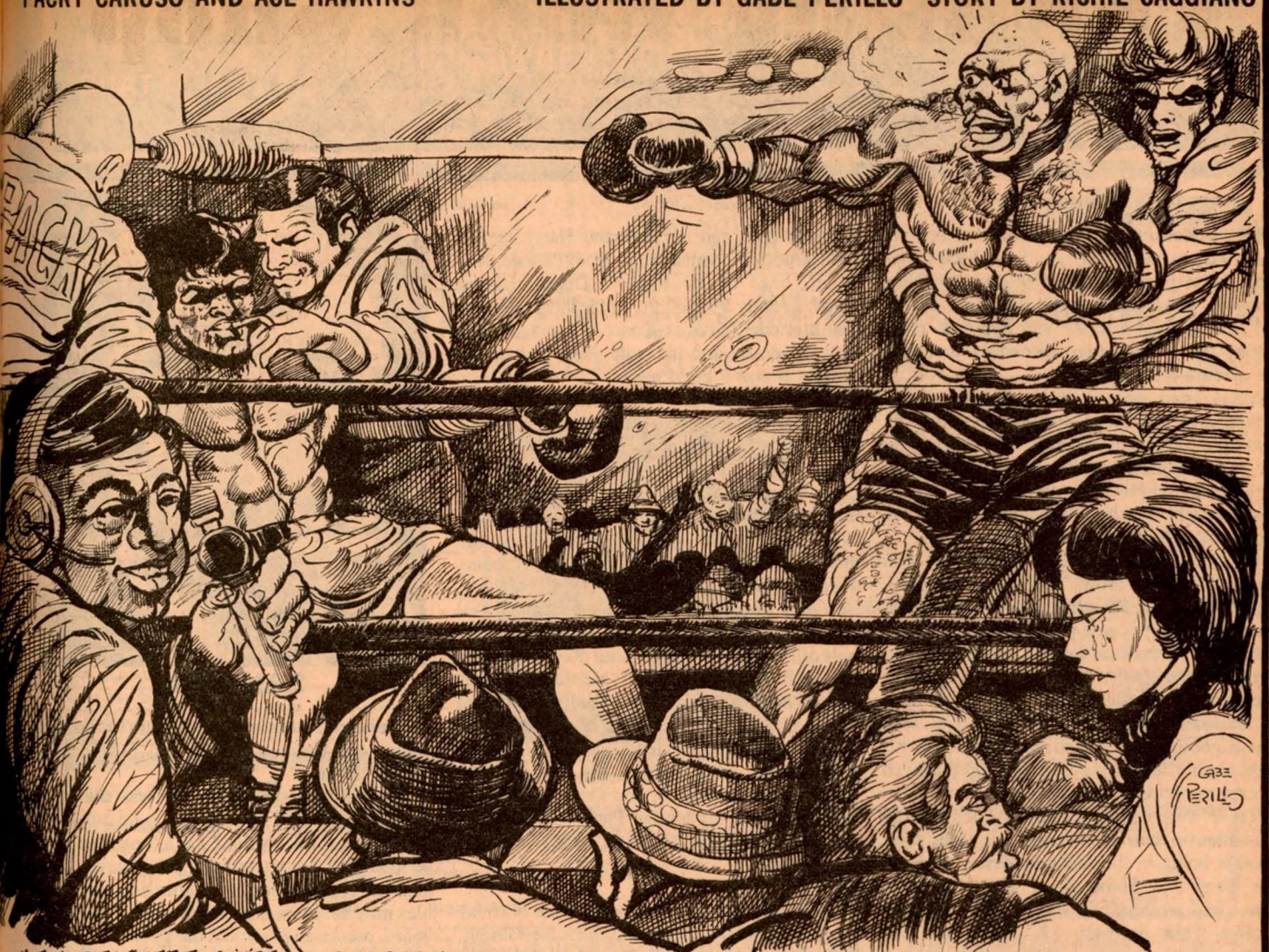

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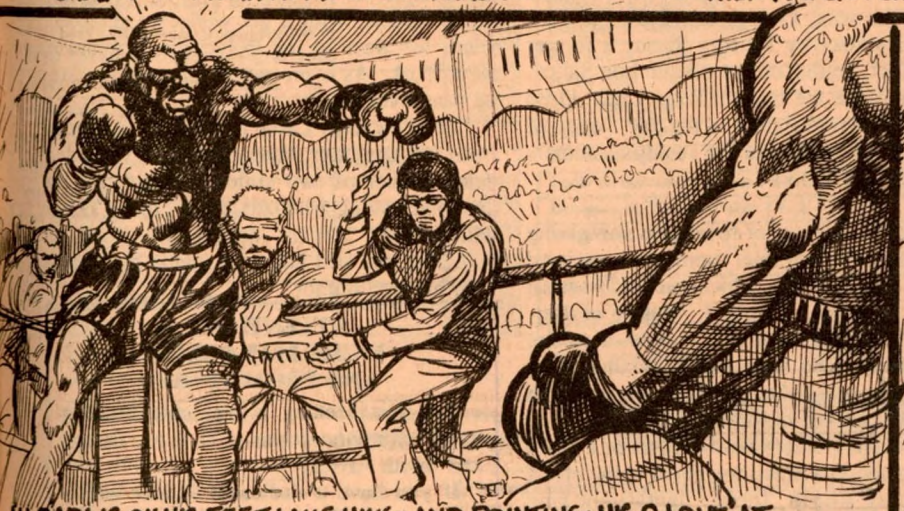

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UP AND DOWN

Old Broadway

By SAM TAUB

Mike Rossman's loss of the WBA light heavyweight crown to Argentinian Victor Galindez on a tenth round TKO down in New Orleans, where they staged their first battle, did not account for the shortest title reign among the 175-pounders. Rossman had held the diadem for seven months.

Many years ago, in the early days of the gloved era, Jack Root won the same title by beating Kid McCoy in ten rounds in Detroit for the on April 22, 1903. He lost his laurels two months and thirteen days later to George Gardner, who was born in Ireland, on a twelve round knockout at Fort Erie, New York.

Bob Fitzsimmons, who had previously won the middleweight crown from Jack Dempsey, the Nonpareil, in New Orleans, and dethroned Jim Corbett to become the heavyweight boss, then became the first man to win the title in three divisions when he won a twenty-round decision over Gardner, the battle being waged in San Francisco on Nov. 25, 1903. Fitz, who was a good puncher, had bad hands for this fight but bluffed his way through and managed to capture the Gardner crown.

There were other incidents of men turning the tables on their conquerors, one of the most notable being in the second meeting between Joe Gans and Frank Erne. The champion, Erne, had successfully defended his laurels, against Gans on May 12, 1900, but was stripped of his championship in a return match held on May 12, 1902, at For Erie, when Gans, managed by Al Herford, scored a one round kayo to become the world's champion.

A standing room crowd was present when Ring #8, of which Johnny DeFoe is President, held its 24th annual dinner and dance at the Holiday Inn on West 57th St. The honorees were Jack Grebelsky, founder and first president of Ring 8, Cpl. Izzy Schwartz, former flyweight king and ex-president, Joseph J. Martello, boxer Howard Davis, Jr., and Jerry Grieff.

Mickey Katz added to the affair by introducing a number of English members who are part of the ex-boxer's Association with quarters in London, who received a warm welcome. Among others on the dais besides the honorees, were Abe J. Green, ex-commissioner of the NBA and New Jersey, Charles Gellman, of the Jewish Memorial Hospital, who was a boxer under the name of Chuck Halper, ex-President Al Reid., and Mons. Thomas O'Brien, of St. Malachy's Church, who made the invocation.

The M.C. for the occasion, who did a nice job, was Abe Berman, introducing the celebs on hand, including Rose Lewis, of the Boxing Commission, and her husband Harry, genial Odin Dudrich, former boxer from Passaic, Ray Arcel, head of the Roberto Duran training corps, Sammy Markowitz, of the local mayor's, and his wife Tilly, ex-Coast lightweight king Solly Seeman and his wife Rose and many others. It was a good party.

One of the tragedies we have to report was the passing of popular Sammy Venti, former boxer, publisher of the World Boxing Historian's journal and charter member of Paul Berlenbach's Ring #21, in Brooklyn. Sammy was suffering from the same illness that struck the late Lou Gehrig, the great star of the famous Yankees headed by the Bambino, Babe Ruth.

Venti, who was a real boxing buff and loved the sport, was to have been honored by his pals of Paul Berlenbach's Ring #21 at Micali's spot in Brooklyn on April 5. He was dedicated to the boxing game and actually lived and talked boxing every moment of his life.

We of *The Ring* extend our heartfelt sympathy to his wife, Dolores, his children, Michael, Maria Christian, and Dolores, his five grandchildren, his brother Paul, who is a boxing referee in New York and New Jersey and two sisters.

That was quite a get together at a birthday party at popular George and Sid's Restaurant, 2175 Ralph Avenue, in Brooklyn, tossed by Julie Katz, former bantam boxer, and little Firpo, who hailed from East New York, for their pal, Moe Kessler, popular employee, and his friends, Manager Nat Gellman and Slugger Sol. By the way, George and Sid's has now been taken over by Murray Shear, a former boxer. Katz, among others, fought Lou Salica, who was twice the bantam king. Little Firpo was a pretty good fighter in his day. Many of our boxers of yesteryear are steady customers at George and Sid's.

Thanks to our out-of-town pals for giving us the news about former members associated with the boxing game, which our readers must be glad to know. Harold J. Walsh, of Barberton, Ohio, just sent us a couple of stories about people who were big in boxing years ago. We are grateful to get them, even though the news is on the offside.

First of all, Barberton advises us of a story that appeared in a Massillon paper to the effect that Sammy Angott, former lightweight king and a good one, was reported to be in not good condition at the Massillon Community Hospital. Sammy was taken there by his wife, Evelyn, after complaining he was ill and collapsed on the way. Eight years ago Sammy

SAM TAUB

was tendered a testimonial dinner that had ex-champions Carmen Basilio and Fritzie Zivic among guests.

Secondly, important to us, was the news that 77-year-old Larry Atkin, who ruled the boxing beat in Cleveland for a long time, was seriously ill for sometime. Larry never quits and that goes for him, no matter what his troubles may be. He was a great promoter for many years, presenting many of the greats of his era, including the Bob Pastor upset by Lem Franklin, the thriller between Sugar Ray Robinson and Artie Levine, Ezzard Charles before he became heavyweight king. We well remember the bouquet of flowers sent us by happy-go-lucky Atkins, with a get well card attached, when we were at the Polyclinic Hospital in New York. As a promoter and matchmaker, he was a standout.

The story says Larry is doing O.K., hears from his daughter Marcy from Fort Lauderdale, mother of two children, regularly, the daughter having graduated from Finch College with honors. Atkins, despite his illness, is punching and still happy to regale his friends with his rare humor.

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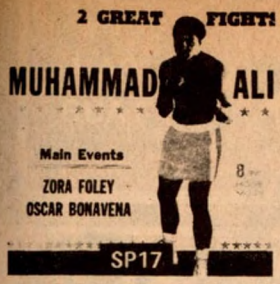

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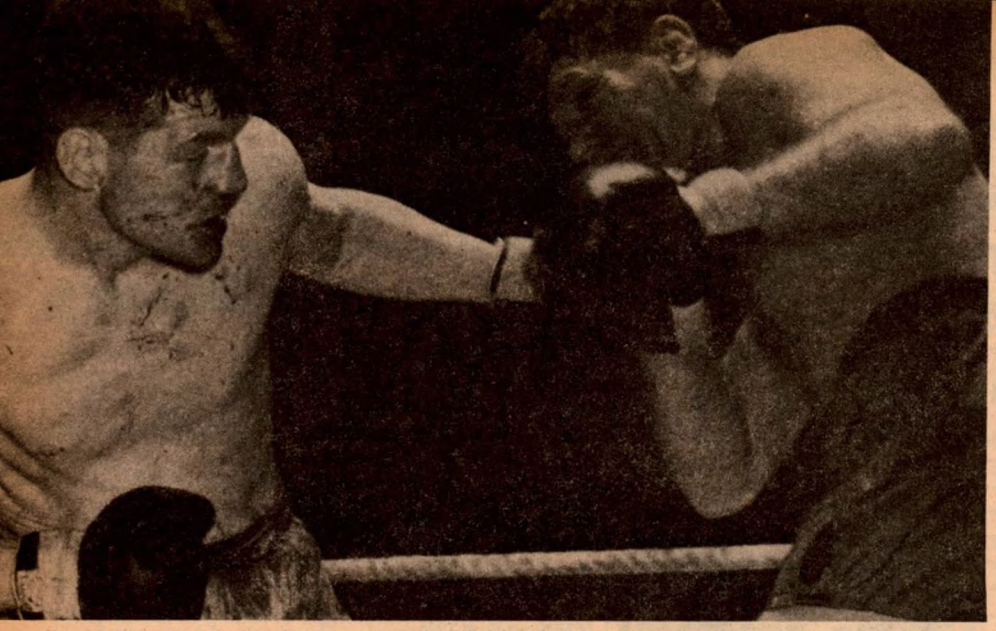
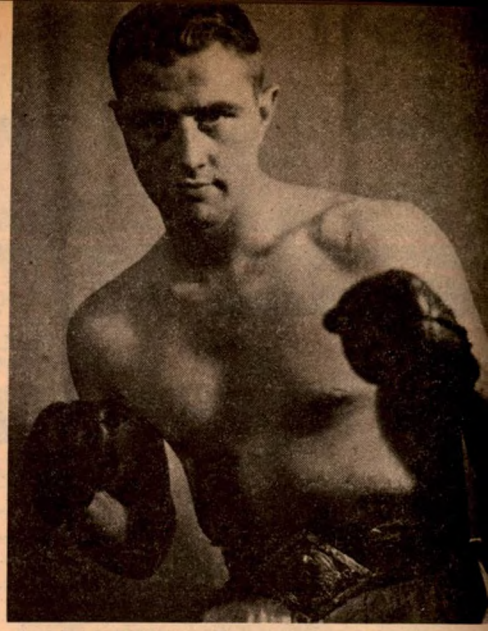


Bruce Woodcock, his face spattered with blood, drives home a left to Lee Savold's chin in their scheduled fifteen-round bout in London's White City Stadium. Savold won British and European recognition as world heavyweight champion when Woodcock was unable to continue after the fourth round.



Sweden's Ollie Tandberg stunned the boxing world by winning a decision over Joe Baksi in Stockholm on July 6, 1947. He came to the United States and lost to Joey Maxim in the Garden, January 9, 1948.

PART ELEVEN OF A SERIES CONTENDERS: HEAVYWEIGHTS

By HERBERT G. GOLDMAN

On March 1, 1949, Joe Louis announced his retirement as the undefeated heavyweight champion of the world. *The Ring* world ratings for the heavyweight division on March 15 were as follows:

Champion: TITLE VACANT

1. Ezzard Charles
2. Jersey Joe Walcott
3. Lee Savold
4. Joey Maxim
5. Lee Oma
6. Rusty Payne
7. Jimmy Bivins
8. Pat Valentino
9. Bernie Reynolds
10. Johnny Flynn

Cuba's Omelio Agramonte was kayoed in six by countryman Kid Tunero at the outset of his career. He fought in the United States from 1946 to 1953. Agramonte kayoed Johnny Flynn and twice went ten rounds with Joe Louis.

The National Boxing Association sanctioned a fifteen-round bout between Charles and Walcott for the vacant title. The fight, held in Comiskey Park, Chicago, on June 22, 1949, resulted in a unanimous decision in favor of Charles, who had established himself as the world's best fighter with an eleven round stoppage of Joe Baksi in New York, December 10, 1948.

So Charles got the NBA blessing as world heavyweight champion. The New York State Athletic Commission, still a potent force in world boxing opinion, chose, however, to ignore the verdict. Louis had sent a letter to the NBA announcing his retirement as champion. He'd never sent one to the New York Commission, which, obviously hurt, never acknowledged his retirement.

The British Boxing Board of Control went about it differently. They acknowledged Louis' retirement, but not the Walcott-Charles championship bout. Still unwilling to believe that British Empire heavyweight champion Bruce Woodcock was unable to beat the very best of the American heavyweights, they sanctioned a bout between Woodcock and Lee Savold for the world title, to take place in London in September. Savold, who had not fought since losing to Woodcock on a foul in the fourth round on December 6, 1948, forced a nine-month postponement when he wrapped a truck around a tree three weeks before the fight.

The bout was finally held in White City Stadium, London, on June 6, 1950. Woodcock won the first round, as he shot his left jab into

Savold's face repeatedly and began following with right crosses to the jaw. In the second round, however, Savold brought the blood from Woodcock's nose as he went on attack. Woodcock still sent his right to Lee's chin, but they did no apparent damage. In the third, Savold opened up with jabs to the head, left hooks, and smashes to the body, and when Bruce went to his corner, he looked beaten.

In the fourth round, Savold opened up a deep cut over Woodcock's left eye. Blood poured into the Briton's eye as Savold followed up. Bruce reeled to his corner as the bell ended the round, only to have his seconds throw a towel into the ring. Referee Andrew Smyth was then called over by Tom Hurst, the manager of Woodcock, and informed that Bruce could not continue.

And so the BBBC–and the European Boxing Union, which had supported them, wound up recognizing Lee Savold as the heavyweight champion of the world. Consistency is, indeed, a proven virtue, and they continued recognizing him after Louis came out of retirement and lost to Charles in Yankee Stadium, September 27, 1950.

On Friday, June 15, 1951, Louis, no longer the champion, and Savold, the heavyweight champion of the world according to the BBBC and EBU, met in a scheduled fifteen-round fight in Madison Square Garden. It was not advertised as a title fight of any kind, but the European powers recognized Louis as champion when, in a burst of his old form, he kayoed Savold in the sixth.

The Brown Bomber held the BBBC and EBU "world heavyweight championship" until Rocky Marciano knocked him out the following October. Thus, according to Europe, neither Charles nor Walcott was ever heavyweight champion of the world, and there was no universally recognized world heavyweight champion until Marciano, having won the BBBC-EBU crown with his kayo over Louis, won the NBA-N.Y. State (New York had recognized Charles after he defeated Louis) title by kayoing Jersey Joe in the thirteenth round.

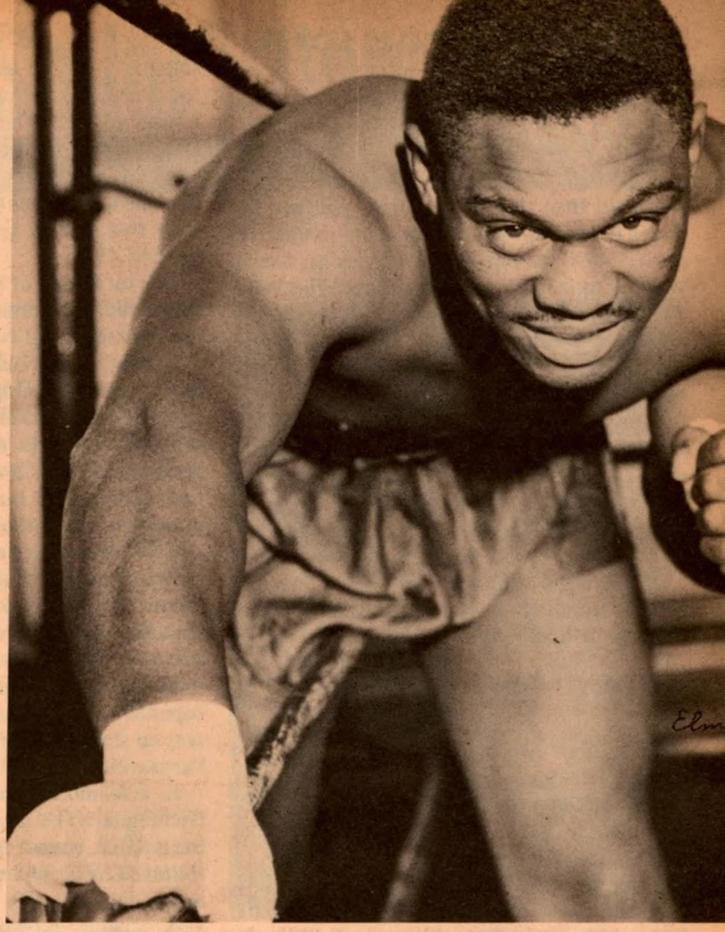
Vignettes of heavyweight contenders of the 1949-1952 period:

BRUCE WOODCOCK

He was born in Doncaster, Yorkshire, England, January 18, 1921. His father, Sam, a miner, had fought in divisional bouts in World War I, and he and Bruce's mother, Hilda, encouraged their son in his ambition to become a boxer. Bruce went to school until he was fourteen, then went to work as an apprentice engineer for the London Northeast Railway Co. in Doncaster. He was already fighting as an amateur at this time.

When war broke out in 1939, Bruce was sent to the government factory at Manchester. There he met Tom Hurst, a former boxer who became his manager when Bruce turned pro on January 26, 1942. By that time, he had fought four hundred amateur bouts, winning all but three.

Woodcock, ruddy faced and curly haired, won the British Empire heavyweight title by kayoing Jack London in six rounds in London,



(Bottom) Argentine heavyweight champion Cesar Brion kayoed Tami Mauriello in two rounds, October 5, 1949. Bernie Reynolds, Jimmy Walls, and Charley Norkus were among his other knockout victims in a career that lasted from 1945 to 1955. (Right) Elmer (Violent) Ray won fifty-three straight fights 1943 to 1947. He was the number one contender when his streak was snapped by Walcott.

July 17, 1945. He had compiled a pro record of twenty-five victories (twenty-three kayoes) and no defeats when he came to the U.S. His goal was to fight Louis for the world crown.

Tami Mauriello was Woodcock's first opponent in the States, and, as it turned out, his last. They fought in Madison Square Garden on May 17, 1946 and clashed heads in the fifth round. Woodcock went down and was counted out. He went right back to England.

In Manchester, on July 29, 1946, Woodcock won the European title by kayoing Paul Renet in the sixth round. He successfully defended it against George Martin, Nils Andersson, and Stephane Olek over the next year, a period which also saw him score one of his two victories over American fighters. He stopped Gus Lesnevich in seven rounds in London on September 17, 1946.

On April 15, 1947, Bruce lost for the second time. His conqueror was, again, an American, Joe Baksi, who halted him in seven rounds in Harringay Arena. Woodcock, who had taken a terrific beating, was out of action for more than a year, returning to the ring on September 21, 1948, when he kayoed Lee Oma in four rounds in London. This was his second, and last, victory over an American.

Bruce defended his British Empire crown twice in 1949, stopping Johnny Ralph in Johannesburg, South Africa, in three rounds on March 26 and halting Freddie Mills in fourteen rounds in London on June 2. Then came the "world" title fight with Savold, whom Bruce had beaten on a foul in a previous encounter.

In his next fight, on November 14, 1950

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GUSHIKEN KAYOES LOPEZ

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brought him back into the WBA top ten and gave him a shot at the fast-rising Gushiken's crown.

Lopez said: "Gushiken's punch was more powerful than that of flyweight puncher Espadas (who disposed of him again in their return)." Will the Japanese lefty seek his second world throne in the flyweight class? The WBA 112-pound crown is held by 29-year-old Venezuelan Betulio Gonzalez, while the WBC one by previously unknown Park Chan-Hee, twenty-two, who recently dethroned prohibitive favorite Miguel Canto, Mexico, by a fifteen-round unanimous upset decision in his native Korea.

There will be a good possibility for Gushiken to invade the flyweight class as the next titlist. Moreover, another problem is the weight of the Japanese southpaw, who lately has not been as smooth in making the junior flyweight limit as he had been.

LUJAN STOPS GARCIA IN 15

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The Lujan-Garcia bantamweight title bout was the main event on the Caesars Fight card. But the stellar attraction of the show was Roberto Duran, former lightweight champion, making his debut as a welterweight.

The "Hands of Stone" seemed to have softened somewhat as Duran, now at 146 pounds, was unable to put away his opponent, Jimmy Heair, of Memphis, Tennessee.

Duran won a unanimous decision; but the game and gutsy Heair stood toe-to-toe with him for ten brutal rounds.

Heair, a veteran of ninety-two bouts, with seventy-five wins, had never been knocked down. And he was never knocked down in his bout with the mighty pride of Panama.

The Duran onslaught began in earnest in the third round; when he virtually closed Heair's right eye. Those who thought the fight might be stopped on cuts were surprised at Heair's staying power.

Heair was jarred against the ropes in the fourth round by a right cross and left hook from Duran. But this was not enough to put him away.

Duran took it easy in the fifth and sixth rounds, explaining later that he had a cold and was not in the peak of condition. From the seventh round on, Duran went to work, pummeling Heair to the body; and then working his way up to fierce right uppercuts.

Although Heair's right eye was completely closed, and his vision impaired from the seventh round on, the indomitable fighter stayed on his feet and managed to deliver several counter-punches.

Roberto Duran was far from his fighting best in this bout; and displayed none of the awesome skills that earned him a 66-1 record; and the World lightweight championship.

Although Duran was the drawing card, it was Jimmy Heair who drew the admiration of the crowd; as he refused to go down or to give up.

After the fight, the soft-spoken Southerner stated: "I should have done better. I couldn't see too well; and that made a lot of difference. I want to fight Duran again. And next time I'm going to fight a lot different."

In spite of Heair's game showing, Duran won the unanimous decision by a wide margin, with two judges scoring 50-40; and a third scoring 49-41.

In a turnabout of the usual fight card action, it was the three preliminary bouts that proved the most exciting.

"Irish" Mike Baker, 154, of Washington, D.C., made an impressive showing against Ricky Weigel, 152½, of Los Angeles. Baker sent his opponent to the canvas with a left hook in the fourth round. Weigel got to his feet; but was no match for Baker, who won a unanimous 10-round decision.

Two other preliminaries were short and sweet. Carlos "Sugar" De Leon, 172, of Puerto Rico, KO'd Manny Freitas, 183, of Lowell, Mass. at 1:25 of the first round. De Leon was dazzling on his ffet; and dazzling with his fists, as he put Freitas through the ropes with a right cross to the jaw. The KO was so stunning that Manny's corner threw in the towel.

In a featherweight bout, Dennis Moran of Nicaragua KO'd Mauricio Garcia at 1:42 of the second round. Moran used a left hook, followed by a right cross, to send his opponent to the canvas.

A capacity crowd of nearly five thousand witnessed the five-bout title card.

CONTEH-BURNETT DRAW

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What Harry Gibbs had to assess was whether the number of left jabs landed by Conteh outweighed the two knockdowns and harder punching of Burnett. Put this way, there didn't seem all that much in it at the end, but the referee's scorecard is the only one that matters.

The fight seemed to be going its full course without further excitement when, in the eighth, a left-right put Conteh on the canvas for the second time.

He rose at eight, but Burnett chose not to follow up, and John was allowed to recover. The American said afterwards that he had injured his right hand, and that it might even be broken. He did not say at what stage this happened, but it could have accounted for his lack of aggression just when it was needed.

However, Conteh's face bore the marks of battle. It was bruised, and the bridge of his nose cut.

Burnett accepted the decision philosophically. "I've met everybody in their home towns, and this is the very first time I got as much as a draw."

Conteh said little about his own performance, except that he thought it was close and a fair decision.

"I would like a return as soon as it can be arranged," John said. "That would be fair to both of us."

This would seem the only way that John can keep alive his challenge to try and regain his old crown. Taking all factors into consideration, he should have accounted for Burnett, who, at thirty-three, is past his best and cannot be considered a world title contender.

But if we try and be fair to John and allow that it was his first fight for six months, there can be no excuse for his not using his right hand. Either there's nothing wrong with the hand, in which case he should be using it at every opportunity, or there is something wrong still, in which case surely he shouldn't be boxing again until it has completely healed.

JOHN SULLIVAN

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McPherson have made Johnny a *bona fide* main event fighter who stands on the verge of a world rating.

"I'll go anywhere, fight anyone, just to keep busy," says John. "But the real thrill is fighting in Portland. I've got everyone here, and I'm not about to let them down."

The recurrent tennis elbow, which accounted for his absence from several Portland cards, has been conquered through a series of treatments, and it appears that John is ready to do what he likes best.

"I love it," says Morton. "He's what the real good ones are made of. We were in the dressing room before the last fight, and I knew that we had a stiff one ahead of us. Before we went out, I said, 'We're in tough, tonight, John.' He just looked at me with those Irish blue eyes and said, 'The other guy, Mike—*he's* in tough.' Can you beat that? I really think that if it hadn't been for the arm injury, we'd already have the junior middleweight crown. But that's all behind us, and the best is yet to come."

Sporting prognostications, of course, should always be tempered with an appreciation of the thousand-and-one variables that can frustrate an athlete's effort to realize his dream. Veteran fight buffs will say that the comparison with Greb and others is premature, and they will probably be right. Just the same, it's been awhile since this audience has had as much reason to follow the progress of a local boxer, and the optimism concerning Johnny seems to be justified. With the right breaks, it might not be long before Northwest fans are treated to the sight of a national or world title bout in the Rose City. It has been a very long while.

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RINGSIDE WITH "Sailor" Don Sauer

By DON SAUER

The heavyweight picture is changing . . . with the imminent retirement of MUHAMMAD ALI, the "rise to the top" of LARRY HOLMES, and KEN NORTON being relegated to the role of "opponent" after being demolished by EARNIE SHAVERS. . . . When OSVALDO OCASIO is offered as a foe–after just twelve pro fights–challenging for the heavyweight championship of the world–where are the real, legitimate heavyweights of years gone by??? This man is a legitimate challenger for the crown once worn by the likes of JACK DEMPSEY–JACK JOHNSON–JOE LOUIS . . . my goodness . . . they must be kidding! Prior to World War II, and a few years thereafter, boxing was a hungry man's sport–his way off of the street corners–out of the doughnuts for dinner diners. . . . Today, unfortunately, with all of the social reforms, unemployment benefits, welfare, with more to come for the so-called "needy"–who wants to get their brains scrambled to eat?–They don't have to anymore–It's handed out to them! Certainly the "man of means" will not fight–even if provoked, let alone step into a prize-ring!!! The "trial horses" of years gone by no longer exist–the old pugs who no longer were threats to a world title–but who could extend the youngster coming up–make him show his "mettle" . . . they are long gone. After a few bouts–and good pay days, the heavyweights of today "retire" and go into movie making–or other less taxing occupations. They don't want to–or have to–fight any longer. . . . Everything in this business has changed, and drastically–The "old time fight manager" hardly ever exists any longer . . . now the "new born" lawyers enter boxing–strictly for the big money behind the television promotions . . . they do not love the game as the old timers did–they know little about boxing and could care less . . . MONEY–this is their ploy–nothing else–. LEON SPINKS getting a world title shot after only eight pro fights–unheard of–To top it off, he beats an overage, overweight, champion–who didn't believe it, either . . . When they met in the return match, it was an entirely different story–! Meanwhile another former champion, GEORGE FOREMAN, sits at his ranch in Marshall, Texas–looking for ways to "get the Gospel to the people" who will listen . . . FOREMAN now preaches Christianity. . . . says he will never return to the ring dust and the resin. GEORGE says he no longer wants Fame and Fortune–because it nearly ruined him. Two years ago, he was defeated by JIMMY YOUNG–a month after that loss, GEORGE FOREMAN was baptized in Houston, Texas and announced his retirement for boxing. He has stuck to it . . . Where are the MAX SCHMELINGS–JACK SHARKEYS–JIMMY BRADDOCKS–the TONY GALENTOS–TOMMY FARRS–LOU NOVAS of years gone by??? These heavyweights–in their day–were legitimate challengers . . . I guess they just don't exist any longer–not today–in this day and age!! RAYMOND "JAKE" SHUGRUE, born Feb. 28th, 1903 in Lime Springs, Iowa, passed away at Long Beach Veterans Hospital in Long Beach, California. For nearly twenty years, he ran the 78th St. Gym at 78th and Hoover in Los Angeles. He died after being confined at the hospital for some time. JAKE retired as Lt. Commander in 1947 from the U.S. Navy–served for thirty years and some called him that service's greatest all-around athlete. SHUGRUE once trained my old Navy buddy, KEN OVERLIN–who was managed by CHRIS DUNDEE–worked with MICKEY WALKER and many of JACKIE McCOY's stable of fighters on the west coast . . . In his later years he developed diabetes, forcing amputation of a leg. He began to train fighters at the Wilmington, California gym–later at Seaside Gym in Long Beach . . . Well known throughout the fight circuit–and well liked–he will be sorely missed by the boxing gentry everywhere–especially on the west coast, where he was so active until his hospitalization. . . . CARLOS ZARATE and very ordinary MENSA KPALOGO drew $124,765 at the Forum in Inglewood, Calif., so you see boxing is certainly not dead in the lighter divisions as some people will make you believe–. TONY CHIAVERINI, the Kansas City draw–and jr. middleweight socker–completely dominated EDGAR "MADDOG" ROSS at Kansas City–8,300 on hand–and a gate of $90,000–TONY winner via kayo in ten rounds. . . . CHIAVERINI and MAURICE HOPE, the newly crowned jr. middleweight champ, a possible twosome for the latter's title this summer . . . EDDIE MULLER, top boxing writer for the San Francisco papers–now retired–is in the process of writing a book on boxing–should be out this fall and has to be a "must" for any ardent boxing fan . . . EDDIE knows this business "inside and out" . . . JOE HERMAN, former co-owner of the Newman-Herman Gym in San Francisco–now eighty years old and still dabbling in the fight business, is one guy who was surprised at EARNIE SHAVERS' quick kayo of KEN NORTON . . . JOE figured NORTON could dominate the Ohio ring veteran, who has seen his better days. . . . Congratulations are in order to JAY D. TURNER, former Dallas heavyweight of the thirties and forties–who has conducted a very successful real estate business since retiring from boxing . . . JAY will retire after twenty years as a top realter in Dallas in July. He'll take life easy . . . TURNER boxed all the "names" of his time . . . great guy for the game and a successful business man as an aftermath . . . a job well done. His wife Mary has been a supervisor for Southwestern Bell Telephone for years–happy retirement JAY old buddy. . . . JACKIE FIELDS, former welterweight champ, not only recovered from a recent heart attack, but is back working at the Tropicana in Las Vegas. . . . They're still talking about CARLOS ZARATE's kayo loss to WILFREDO GOMEZ this past winter–some "in the know" boxing die-hards say that ZARATE was running a temperature of 103, was almost too weak to stand up and nearly pulled out of the fight–result–five knockdowns and five rounds to defeat–now CARLOS says "I would love to meet GOMEZ once more" . . . I'd like to see it too–! ZARATE's pro record stands at 54 fights–52 knockouts–tops for the "little guys"!! RALPH GAMBINA, manager of EDDIE "THE ANIMAL" LOPEZ, is looking for action for his tiger–but he says he is not interested in a rematch with Hungarian defector MIRCEA SIMON, who boxed a tough draw with LOPEZ on the coast. . . .

"Sailor" Don Sauer, "Ringside" boxing columnist and former U.S. Navy welterweight champion.

ALL-TIME POLISH GREATS

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once more, with Marcel Cerdan. It didn't matter. His name already was in gold letters.

They made a great pair, Johnny Buff, the Polish boy from Jersey City, and Lew Diamond, the jolly manager. And they made good, which made Buff, or rather, John Lesky, memorable. Within a year or so, 1921, Buff won the American flyweight championship by knocking out Abe Attell Goldstein, the world's bantam title by beating Pete Herman on decision, and retained the American flyweight by a defeat of Pat Moore by decision.

Lee Oma, a handsome heavyweight from Detroit, was the son of a Polish father and a Russian mother. His real name was Frank Cjaweski and he was in the habit of going on radio in Polish up in Buffalo. He would talk fights, or anything.

Lee mixed with all the heavyweights in the 1940s and 1950s but he came close to grabbing the brass ring in 1951 against Ezzard Charles in the old Garden. With his shiftiness, casual ease in countering, he amazed onlookers. He built up an early lead while Charles, a conventional boxer, couldn't figure him out, no how. Suddenly, about the ninth, without reason, Lee began floundering. In another round he was just a body. Some ringsider surmised: "Maybe he got too close to winning."

The Ring owes thanks to Joe Sadowski, a Polish-American reader, to the reminder of fighters of his persuasion. Here is a further listing by Sadowski: Stanley Poreda, Chuck Wepner, Stanley Goicz, Paul Swiderski, Frankie Bojarski, Dave Zyglewicz, Chet Mieszala, Ted Kara, Steve Malinky, Max Marek, Rick Jankowski, Joe Lewdanski, and Mike (Miecznikowski) Schultz. He also adds the following of today's fighters: Duane Bobick, Mike Koranicki, Greg Osowiecki, and Kid Polack.

To which we can say only "Thanks again," or in Joe's lingo, "*Ca Zdrojie*!"

KOOPMANS WINS EBU CROWN

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Piet van Veer, Rudi Lubbers, light heavy Renus de Boer, Willi Schagen, Wim Snoek, Jan and Rudi Lubbers, middle, Luc van Dam, Marko Kokmeyer, welterweight, Nol Steenhorst, Van Vliet, Huib Huizenaar, Len Sanders, Giel de Roode and Bep van Klaveren.

Rudi Koopmans, undefeated in three dozen fights, has arrived a little late, for he is already thirty-one. He should have won the crown a year ago when he faced Traversaro the first time in this same arena. He was, in fact, crowned but reigned for only a few hours. Referee Fernand Perotti, Spain, got his arithmetic all wrong. He scored 146-145 in favor of Koopmans but after a recount made it all square. The verdict was changed to a draw, allowing Traversaro to retain his crown. Judge Jim Brimell (GB) scored 145-144 for Koopmans and Judge Andre Berlier, France, made it a draw.

As an amateur, Koopmans won a national title and a silver medal at an International tournament in 1972. Carried away with the feeling of success, he neglected his trade and was sacked by his employer. The Dutchman then boxed in Germany without getting the all-clear from the Dutch authorities and they banned him for life. In 1972, Koopmans turned professional in Germany and three years later the Dutch Boxing Federation lifted their ban.

Rudi Koopmans' success is shadowed by the news of Hans Hoffman's death at the age of fifty-two. Hans died from a brain haemorrhage a few hours after completing the draw for the Dutch championships. Hans Hoffman was the president of the European Amateur Boxing Association and was a member of the AIBA. He was also president of the Dutch Boxing Union, which governs both professional and amateur boxing in Holland.

BENES KAYOES COHEN

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Marijan Benes, amateur champion of Europe in 1973, lost only 3 of his 290 bouts. Visiting Germany in 1977 to see his sister living in Munich, he decided to stay and signed up with manager Willi Zeller in Berlin. He made his professional debut on the Mattioli-Dagge WBC title fight on August 6th, 1977 and decisioned Clement Tshinza, Zaire, over four rounds. He won all of his eight paid bouts in 1977.

Benes is Yugoslavia's third European champion. Light heavy Yvan Prebeg reigned in 1969 and Mate Parlov, who went on to win the WBC crown, ruled Europe in 1976.

PANAMA CITY, PANAMA–Eusebio Pedroza, 126, Panama, TKO'd fellow Panamanian Hector Carrasquilla, 126, to retain his WBA featherweight title. Referee Jesus Celis stopped the bout at 2:38 of the eleventh round.

Pedroza was ahead on all cards prior to the stoppage. Celis had it 98-95, judge Waldemar Schmidt scored 99-92, and judge Ernesto Magana made it 99-95. Neither man was floored.

CAPITAL ACTION

By ED SCULLEN

▲WASHINGTON, D.C.–A small crowd of about four hundred turned out at the D.C. Coliseum to witness Nat Williams' third show since moving his operations late late year.

The Friday night offering of five bouts scheduled for a total of thirty-two rounds, had its moments, as only two bouts went the scheduled distance. With fighters ranging in grade from barely passable D's to likely B calibre, the results were uneven, but at least all of the battlers pitched leather from bell to bell.

In the feature eight-rounder of the evening, Derrik Holmes, 123, New Carrollton made short work of Ronnie Newby, 126, Philadelphia, kayoing the visitor at 1:00 of the first.

The 23-year-old Holmes quickly took command after an initial Newby rush and twice shook his opponent with thundering body shots and crisp trailing hooks to the head. Holmes finished Newby for the evening when he backed him into a corner, landing three whistling body shots and a near-patented left hook which left the Philadelphian slumped helplessly against the ropes while referee Joe Bunsa tolled off the count.

Holmes, who owns amateur knockouts over super bantam champ Wilfredo Gomez and current welter champ Wilfred Benitez, is now 5-0 and will make his Felt Forum debut in late April. Apparently, he is a fighter to be watched.

The rest of the action was far below the quality of the Holmes bout, however. In an opening mismatch scheduled for four rounds, Harry Jordan, 157, Capital Heights, floored totally inept Theron Smallbridge, 150, Weston, W. Va. with a one-two combination in the opening seconds and then completed his work with a barrage of head shots, producing a knockout at 1:15.

The following six-rounder saw Ricky Patterson, 134½, District, outspeed Philadelphia southpaw Tony Edwards, 137½, to take a unanimous decision.

The next bout also went the six-round distance as Warren Fortune, 144½, Laurel, drew an unorthodox brawler in Dale Gordon, 138, Fairmount, West Va. Fortune pasted the visitor with everything but the kitchen sink, but the tough mountain man refused to go down and even raised concern in the local fighter's corner when he landed a beautiful round house right to the head in the fourth, but was too awkward to follow up. Fortune recovered, however, to take an easy unanimous decision.

▲BALTIMORE, MD.–The long-awaited Alvin Anderson-Dale Staley ten-round clash for the Maryland State junior middleweight championship ended with a resounding thud before an estimated crowd of 1,800 who paid a gate of $14,000 and change.

Anderson put out the lights for Staley at 1:25 of round three with a short right which travelled no more than eight inches and caught the advancing Staley flush on the button. In the opening two rounds, however, it was the younger man, billed as "The American Assassin," who forced the pace, landing still lead rights and putting a look of consternation on Anderson's face. Still, it was the old pro who spotted the opening, landed his classic shot, and then watched as his opponent toppled backwards to the canvas. Referee Harry Cecchini began a count, but it was immediately halted by medical personnel and manager Chris Cline, who entered the ring to revive Staley, and then helped him to the dressing room.

The knockout literally brought down the house as a band of vociferous Staley supporters crowded the ring as the fighter received attention. The 31-year-old Anderson received his due from the hometown audience in the form of a well of cheers as he left the ring.

Anderson, now 30-6-3, had to drop six pounds on the afternoon of the fight, but his performance hardly suffered. According to manager Mack Lewis, Anderson is now pointing for a match this summer with No. 2 World middle Vito Antuofermo. Staley, now 12-2, must sit out the next sixty days under Maryland rules.

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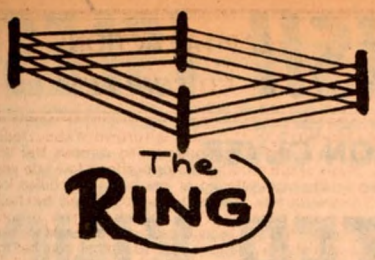

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THE BRITISH ISLES

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LAING IS BRITISH WELTER KING

Arden Sporting Club, Birmingham–In an all-Jamaican battle, Kirkland Laing won the British Welter crown by beating the holder, Henry Rhiney, the bout being stopped in the tenth round after the latter had been down six times.

Laing lives in Nottingham, but is a member of the Terry Lawless stable in London. By a coincidence, the same night that Laing was winning the title, a nationwide TV feature on Terry was being shown by the British Broadcasting Corporation.

Terry is by far the most successful manager in Britain today. Besides WBC champ Maurice Hope, he has several other British, Commonwealth, and European title holders.

Laing thus remains unbeaten in sixteen contests (including one draw), as he punched too fast for the 27-year-old Rhiney, who was always trailing. The latter thus lost the chance of making the Lonsdale Belt his own property, having previously gained two notches, one when winning the title, and a second when successfully defending it.

All the knockdowns came in the ninth and tenth rounds. The 24-year-old Laing, a former British amateur champ, boxed his way to a commanding lead, then opened out. Up to then, Rhiney had been strong, but he couldn't cope with the hefty rights to the face that Laing was throwing.

As knockdown succeeded knockdown, Rhiney understandably got weaker, and eventually referee James Brimmell intervened.

Laing has been somewhat unpredictable in the past, but certainly impressed on this occasion.

Gay Towers Ballrooms, Edgbaston–Carl Bailey, Manchester, 146½, confirmed a previous victory by outpointing Roy Varden, Nuneaton, 145, over eight by 80-77½, not losing a round.

Varden was quite willing to make the running, but Bailey's counterpunching was too accurate for him. Roy used the whole of the ring in his efforts to gain superiority, but Carl just stood still in the centre and boxed his man off.

Steve Early, Coventry, 140½, kayoed Frank McCord, Swansea, with a right to the chin in the first round.

Gordon Ferris, Enniskillen, 193, outpointed Austin Okoye, Streatham, 198, over eight by 79-78. On at least two occasions, Okoye looked in trouble, but fought his way back well. The Ferris right hand proved the deciding factor.

Lloyd Hibbert, Birmingham, 140, outscored Gary Pearce, Newport, 139½, over six by 59½-59. Hibbert was just that bit faster against an aggressive opponent.

Mick Morris, Wolverhampton, 159½, comfortably outpointed Mike Copp, Swansea, by 60-58 over six, not losing a round. Copp was decked in round four.

Larry Richards, Leicester, 129, outpointed Selvyn Bell, Manchester, over six by the narrow margin of 59½-59. Bell was down in the fourth.

20th Century Sporting Club, Southend–Karl Canwell, Stoke Newington, 177, beat Lloyd James, Finchley, 171, the bout being stopped at the end of the sixth when James was cut inside his mouth.

By that time, Canwell was piling on the pressure and proving the heavier puncher.

Ishaq Hussein, Reading, 210, beat Eddie Neilson, Swindon, who retired at the end of the fifth with a cut left ear.

Little in it when the end came, with Hussein the better boxer, and Neilson the harder puncher.

Alan Hardiman, Hemel Hempstead, 149, defeated Johnny Elliott, Bournemouth, the referee intervening in round two after Elliott had been on the canvas.

Curtis Marsh, Islington, 163, beat Carl Daly, Stepney, 161, the bout being halted in the second round with Marsh punching away merrily, but with Daly still upright.

Danny Miller, Manchester, 181, outscored Shaun Chalcraft, Redhill, 180, by 80-77 over eight, not losing a round, Chalcraft was decked in the sixth.

St. Andrews Sporting Club, Glasgow–Charlie Malarky, new Scottish light middleweight star, easily outscored Joe Oke, Ghana, 154, over eight by 79½-77½.

Charlie coolly jabbed his way to victory, and had his opponent in trouble on several occasions.

Oke's left eye was completely closed by the end, but Malarky didn't escape entirely, being cut on the left cheek, and with a swelling around the eye.

George Peacock, Greenock, 141½, outpointed Martin Bridge, Bradford, 142, over eight by 79½-78½. It looked closer.

Dave Douglas, Larkhall, 147, outscored Pat Smythe, Gainsborough, 145, by the narrow margin of 59-58½ over six.

Tommy Thomas, Tottenham, 147, looked unlucky to gain only a draw against Liam Linnen, Coatbridge, 145, over six. The former seemed to land more scoring punches and kept the pressure going.

Cambridge Guildhall–Southern Area light middleweight champion Steve Hopkin, 159½, comfortably outpointed Scottish title holder John Smith, Glasgow, 158½, over eight by 80-76½, not losing a round.

The ringwise Smith has had five times as many fights as Hopkin, but the latter showed superior aggression, and John was much too busy defending to do much on his own account.

Johnny Harrington, Biggleswade, 162¾, made it four in a row, and all inside schedule, by beating Mohammed Ali, Ghana, 162½. The bout was stopped in the third after Ali was being punched all over the ring.

Danny Miller, Manchester, 185½, beat Bob Young, Croydon, 192, the referee intervening in the fifth of a scheduled six-rounder after Young had been decked three times.

Curtis Marsh, Highgate, 163½, outpointed Vivian Waite, Cardiff, 161¾, over six by 59½-58½.

Evesham Sporting Club–Romal Ambrose, 157, Leicester, won the vacant Midlands Area middleweight title by knocking out Paul Shutt, also of Leicester, 154, in the seventh of a scheduled ten. Shutt was down six times.

Ambrose started slowly, but once he had found his range he looked a certain winner. The first of the knockdowns came in the sixth, and it was up-and-down for Shutt after that.

Tony Allen, Birmingham, 174, boxed superbly to beat Steve Fenton, Leicester, 168, the referee intervening in the ninth of a scheduled ten after Fenton had been down.

Quite a bit of needle in this one, especially in the sixth. After the fourth, Allen forged ahead, and Fenton was shipping punishment when it was stopped.

Pip Coleman, Neath, 118, rarely stopped throwing punches in outpointing Jimmy Bott, Liverpool, 119, over six by 60-57½, but the margin seemed to flatter Pip.

Marton Country Club, Middlesbrough–Prince Rodney, Central Area lightmiddleweight champion, 154½, comfortably outscored the Scottish champion John Smith, 155¾, over eight by 80-76½, not losing a round.

Youth versus experience, with the younger Rodney giving a fine display of versatility and putting his opponent down in the fifth.

George Scott, Newcastle, 222, beat Mal Tetley, Donncaster, 185, the referee intervening in the sixth with Tetley on the canvas.

Scott was down in the fourth, Tetley early in the sixth. Then, after taking several more punches, Tetley went down again and the bout was stopped.

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Most boxers prefer to have the advantage of a few years' amateur experience before turning pro, but Alan Storey, Sunderland, 119, is an exception.

Alan is still only seventeen, and gave a solid, competent display to outpoint Pip Coleman, Swansea, 119, over four by 40-39½.

The margin was narrow, and in fairness to Coleman, he got in the ring after a cramping car journey of nine hours.

Norman Mortin, 137, outscored debutant Steve Crocker, Swansea, 138, over six by 60-58. Pity–it was Steve's twenty-first birthday.

Dai Davies, Swansea, 140, outscored Derek Young Nelson by 79-78½. Nelson was decked in the third, but many thought he deserved a share.

Anglo-American Sporting Club, Liverpool–Dave Taylor, Liverpool, 141, seemed a trifle unlucky to gain only a draw with Jess Harper, Manchester, 141½, over eight.

A cracking contest that brought nobbins from enthusiastic patrons afterawards.

Harper is in the throes of a comeback, but had lost both i his contests since returning to the ring. His southpaw style caused confusion early on, but once Taylor found his range, Jess found things difficult.

Taylor's body-punching was especially effective, but Harper kept going, although his punches were wild at times.

Stan Atherton, Liverpool, 141, outscored Tommy Wright, Doncaster, 142, over six by 60-58½, not losing a round.

Theo Josephs, Halifax, 190, put debutant Ron McLean, London, 234, on the canvas four times before the referee intervened in the fifth of a scheduled six.

Gary Lucas, Liverpool, 125, outpointed Larry Richards, Leicester, 127, by 59½-58½ over six.

Anglo-American Sporting Club, London–Lotte Mwale, Zambia, 174, had no difficulty in disposing of American Billy Ratliff, 173½, the referee intervening in the second round when Ratliff had taken a few hefty punches, and had been down twice.

Once Mwale had his man going he didn't let him off the hook, and although Ratcliff complained that he always started slowly, he was looking bemused when the end came.

Tony Zeni, Highgate, 137½, narrowly outpointed Billy O'Grady, Deptford, 137½, by 78½-78 over eight. The crowd loved it, and showered in nobbins.

O'Grady was twice decked in the third. Both eyes were injured and he bled from the nose. But he came back well, using his longer reach to good advantage.

Charm Chiteule, Zambia, 126½, beat Terry McKeown, Glasgow, 127¾, the bout being stopped in the fifth after the latter had been decked in the preceding round. Chiteule impressed.

Dave Armstrong, Hackney, 163¼, halted Lloyd Gardner, Acton, 164, the referee intervening in rount two. Gardner had not been down, and protested strongly, but he was being driven around the ring.

Ulster Hall, Belfast–Irish bantam champ Davy Larmour, 116, outscored George Sutton, Cardiff, 119, over eight by the narrowest margin of 79-78½, and it was as close as the scoreline suggests.

A right to the chin put George down in the third, but he recovered in fine style.

Neil McLaughlin chalked up another win for Ireland by outscoring Mohammed Younis by 79½-78½ over eight. Younis made brief excursions to the canvas in rounds three, four, and eight.

Billy Lauder, Glasgow, 154, easily outscored Gerry Young, Belfast, over eight by 79-77½.

Ray Heaney, Belfast, 134, defeated Gerry Burns, Belfast, 135, the bout being stopped in the third after the latter had been down four times.

Johnny Elliott, Bournemouth, 147, beat Gerry Maguire, Lurgan, 144½, the referee intervening in the fifth after Maguire had been decked five times.

Liverpool Stadium–Robbie Davies, Birkenhead, 155, came back after six months' inactivity and made it nine quick wins in ten bouts by kayoing Joe Lally, Liverpool, 155, in four. A left, then a following right, and Lally was flat out, face down.

Lally proved tough opposition in the opening round, and was punching and moving faster, but Davies had found his "ring legs" by the second session, and, although his timing was off on occasions, his punches were hurting Lally, who eventually succumbed.

Jimmy Brown, Bootle, 128, comfortably outpointed Jeff Pritchard, New Tredegar, 131, over eight by 80-76½, not losing a round. The latter was down briefly in the third and sixth, and Brown's harder punching kept him in front.

Robbie Robinson, Liverpool, 134, beat Najib Daho, Manchester, 133, the bout being stopped at the end of the third when Daho was cut over the left eye.

Alan Worthington, Liverpool, 161¾, was fully extended in outpointing Redmond Everard, Widnes, 162, over six by 59½-58½. Probably the former's accuracy was the deciding factor against an aggressive opponent.

After two years out of the ring with a hand injury, Billy Hill, Blackpool, 163, made a successful comeback by outpointing Joe Jackson, Leicester, 164½, over six by the narrowest margin of 59-58½.

Hill was decked in the fourth and again (a slip) in the final session, but jabbed and hooked strongly with his southpaw right.

National Sporting Club, London–Bonny McKenzie, Cardiff, 174, survived a third-round knockdown to outscore Karl Canwell, Stoke Newington, 177, over eight by 79-78.

Last time they met, Canwell won on points, and many thought he was a little unlucky on this occasion not to get at least a share.

A left hook had Mac on the canvas, a delayed action affair, but he got up and survived all his opponent's efforts to put him down again. Canwell showed the aggression; McKenzie coun-

terpunched to good effect.

Glyn Davies, Llanelli, 122, is making yet another comeback, this time as a featherweight, and he used his greater experience to outpoint John Cooper, Mitcham, 124, by 80-78 over eight, not losing a round.

Davies showed enough form for the fans to see that he is still a good fighter, and he overcame some early ring rustiness to get control.

Boyd Farrar, Hayes, 166, outpointed Steve Fox, Wolverhampton, 165, over six by 59½-57½.

Peter Gorny, Croydon, 164, made it six successive wins by outscoring Mick Morris, Wolverhampton, 165, over six by 59½-59.

Wolverhampton Civic Hall–There was no lack of action in the final eliminator for the British featherweight title, with Pat Cowdell, Warley, 125½, outpointing Les Pickett, Merthyr, 124½, over twelve rounds by 118½-117.

Plenty of needle in this one, with Cowdell afterwards alleging that he had been deliberately butted, a cut by the left eye requiring three stitches.

This occurred in the eighth round, and until then Cowdell looked to be on his way to a well-earned victory. But the cut altered matters, and it was an uphill struggle for Cowdell until the final bell to overcome the handicap, although good cornerwork kept the cut under control.

Pickett bled from the nose in the opening round, and the bleeding continued throughout.

Cowdell was coolness personified in the early rounds as he outboxed his man, checking Pickett's frequent flurries with good defensive tactics.

The Welshman was strong as ever, and kept coming forward, throwing punches. He had a good fourth round, which ended in blows being struck after the bell by both men before the referee intervened.

Cowdell's cleaner work continued to impress. Then came the eye injury, which gave Pickett new heart, and he was warned in the ninth and again in the tenth for misuse of the head.

Pickett did his best to cash in on his opponent's handicap, but without much success, and in the final round Cowdell looked the stronger.

Cowdell now goes on to meet champion Dave Needham for the title.

Tony Sibson, Leicester, 163¾, narrowly outpointed Eddie Smith, Manchester, 164, by 98½-98 over ten. This avenged a defeat of four months earlier.

A good even contest, with Smith starting slowly and improving rapidly. But he just failed to make up the leeway.

Paul Chance, 128, made it fourteen bouts without defeat by beating Billy Rabbitt, Strabane, 134, the bout being stopped in the fourth of a schedules eight after Rabbitt had been decked by a right to the body.

Terry O'Connor, Birmingham, 139, easily outscored Peter Snowshall, Highgate, 141, over six by 60-58, not losing a round. The latter was down in the fourth.

Johnny Burns, Birmingham, 138, defeated Gene McGarrigale, Strabane, 139, the end coming after only ninety seconds. McGarrigale went down, got up, nose bleeding, and there was a close-quarter exchange, after which Gene again went down, taking Burns with him.

The referee then intervened by helping Burns up, and taking Gene back to his corner.

Royal Hall, Harrogate–Veteran Bingo Crooks, Wolverhampton, won his featherweight fight with George Feeney, West Hartlepool, on a disputed points verdict. Scoreline 78½-78 after eight.

Both were marked, Feeney with a swelling under the right eye, Crooks a swelling by the nose.

Crooks was content to box on the retreat until the seventh, and he certainly turned it on during the last couple of rounds. However, many thought Bingo had not done enough to make up the leeway.

After nearly a year's inactivity, Southern Area welter champ Peter Neal, Swindon, 147½, made a triumphant return by knocking out Chris Walker, Sheffield, 147½, in the eighth and final round.

Walker seemed to be upright at eight, but the referee continued the count to ten. Little in it up to that stage, with Walker handicapped by a cut near the left eye.

Ceri Collins, Merthyr, 138, outpointed George Metcalf, Keighley, 134½, over eight by 79-78½. Narrow, and not everyone agreed. But they did agree it had been a great fight.

Debutant Liam Coleman, Leeds, an eighteen-year-old, outscored Mick Fellingham, Cheetham, 175½, over six by 60-58½.

Executive Sporting Club, Bursiem–Eddie Fenton Leicester, 182, beat Carlton Benoit, Hackney, 176, the bout being stopped in the fifth when the latter was cut over the right eye.

Benoit opened confidently, but Fenton was slowing him down when the end came.

Herol Graham, Sheffield, 155, confirmed a previous victory by outscoring Dave Southwell, Cardiff, 149, by 79½-76½, over eight.

Southwell was down in rounds three, four (a slip), and eight.

Doug Hill, Stoke, 132, outscored Andy Dane, Peterborough, 132, over six by 60-57, not losing a round.

Lawrence Williams, Manchester, 134, gained a six-rounds points win over George Schofield, Liverpool, 133, by 59-58½. A good bout to watch.

Civic Hall, Barnsley–Carl Bailey, Manchester, 147, outscored Central Area champion Terry Petersen, Leeds, 149, by 79½-77½ over eight. The latter's title was not at stake.

Petersen came in as a substitute, and was handicapped by a cut near the right eye from the fourth round. It was punch for punch, and the scoreline seemed closer. The fans enjoyed it and threw in nobbins.

Tommy Wright, Doncaster, 141, made it three in a row by defeating Joe Wills, London, 140, the bout being stopped in the fifth. Some thought the stoppage was premature.

Jimmy Smith, Tottenham, 140, comfortably outpointed Shaun Stewart, Barnsley, over six by 59½-58. Stewart was decked in round three.

Pat Smythe, Gainsborough, confirmed a previous victory by knocking out Bob Bravado, Ghana, in the fifth after previously putting him on the canvas.

Plaza Cinema, Bangor–Local favorite Dave Davies, 157½, beat Clifton Wallace, Birmingham, 155½, and delighted the fans with a sixth-round stoppage.

Wallace went down for eight after a barrage of blows, and the referee intervened when he got up.

Robbie Robinson, Liverpool, 135, defeated Andy Dane, Peterborough, 134½,, the bout being halted in the third after Dane had taken two counts and was cut by the right eye.

Mike Copp, Swansea, 152, outscored Jimmy Roberts, Bootle, 149, over eight by 79-78½. A tough scrap, little in it at any stage, and Roberts staging a late rally that just failed to put him on terms.

Debutant Steve Crocker, Swansea, 139, did well to outpoint Brendan O'Donnell, Liverpool, 139, over four by 39-38½.

Midlansds Sporting Club, Solihull–Inactive for nearly a year, Wayne Evans, 123½, beat Leae Graham, Finchley, 124½, the referee intervening in round two with Graham soaking up punishment on the ropes, although he had not been down.

When they met previously, Evans won on points.

This time, Wayne was out to prove that the hand injury that had kept him on the sidelines had completely healed And prove it he did, in no uncertain fashion.

Evans kept pressing forward and punching away with both hands, Graham having to rely on defence. This worked in the first round, but Wayne got through his opponent's defences in the second and that was that.

Veteran George McGurk, Jarrow, 142, caused a bit of a surprise by beating Chris Sanigar, Bristol, spoiling the latter's undefeated run. The bout was stopped in round two after Sanigar had been decked.

Gary Cooper, Lymington, 149, out pointed Kendrick Edwards, St. Albans, 151½, over six by 60-57, not losing a round. Edwards was down three times and afterwards announced his retirement from the ring.

Curtis Marsh, Highgate, 159, outscored Mac Nicholson, Clapham, 160, over six by 59½-58½. Nicholson was down in the third from a right to the head, but things got a bit untidy after that, causing a warning from the referee.

Tommy Thomas, Tottenham, 145½, brought over a peach of a left hook that dropped Roger Guest, Dudley, 143, for the full count in round five.

Anglo-American Sporting Club, Manchester–Midlands Area champion Romal Ambrose, Leicester, 160½, comfortably outpointed Central Area title holder Dave Owens, Castleford, 161, over eight by 79-77½.

Owens did well early on, but couldn't keep up the pace, and Ambrose waded in during the sixth round, landing punch after punch without reply.

In the eighth, a right hook put Owens down for a short count.

Kevin Quinn, Manchester, 137, drew with Shaun Stewart, Barnsley, 138, over six. A good performance by Quinn, who had been inactive for nine months because of a hand injury, and came in as a sub with no preparation.

Lee Hartshorn, Manchester, 150, defeated Tommy Baldwin, 154, Blackpool, the referee intervening in the second round after Baldwin had been down twice.

Billy Hill, Blackpool, 162, outscored Joe Hannaford, Liverpool, 161½, over six by 59½-58.

Anglo-American Sporting Club, London–Karl Canwell, Stoke Newington, 178, won his "rubber" fight with Bonny McKenzie, Cardiff, 174, whom he outpointed over eight by 79-78. The margin looked as narrow as the scoreline suggests, and McKenzie was very disappointed.

There were infringements, for which both men were cautioned, but, on the whole, it was a good scrap to watch. Both were marked, and both bled from the nose.

Canwell did most of the pressing, but Mac's left counter was effective.

George Walker, Chiswick, 154½, outscored Billy English, Carshalton, 155, by 79-78 over eight. English had been inactive for three months and took some time to warm up. Many hard punches were exchanged, and Walker's aggression brought him a clear win.

Wally Stocks, Isleworth, 133, narrowly outscored Steve Briers, Falmouth, 132½, over six by 59-58½. Southpaw Stocks took the fight to his opponent from the first bell to the last, but Briers jabbed neatly and scored with some clean punches. Both were making their debuts.

Another first-timer, John Kennedy, Battersea, 155, beat Casley McAllum, 156½, the bout being stopped in the third after McAllum had been down twice.

World Sporting Club, London–British lightweight champion Charlie Nash, Derry, 135½, easily outpointed American Jerome Artis, 135, over eight rounds by 80-76½, not losing a round.

After a bit of fire in the first couple of rounds, Artis went into his shell, and looked as if it suited him to go the full route. With Nash not bothering to press home his advantages, there wasn't much to enthuse over, and Charlie used his southpaw jab to pile up the points as he coasted home.

Artis was cut under the right eye in the fifth, and this caused him to box more and more on the defensive.

Billy Keen, Bournemouth, 164, got off the floor in the fifth to draw with Wally Barnes, Battersea, 169¾, over six. Barnes was down in the third. A good result, and a good bout to watch.

Charlie Brown, Barry, 136, beat Eric Wood, Doncaster, 137, the bout being stopped in the fifth after Wood had been down three times.

Ian Cole, Brighton, 153, kayoed John Chard, Swansea, 147½, at the end of the first round. The bell sounded, but the count continued, with Chard on his back, head under the bottom rope.

Terry Chard, Cardiff, 208½, had a close victory over Theo Josephs, 182, the points score being 59-58½ after six.

Merton Civic Hall, London–Shaun Chalcraft, Reigate, 180, beat Bob Young, Croydon, 192, Young refusing to leave his corner at the beginning of the third, and indicating that he had double vision in his right eye. He had been decked twice.

Gary Cooper, Lymington, 148, beat Alan Cable, Norwood, 147, the referee intervening in round five after Cable had stopped punching back.

A good scrap, which brought nobbins. Cable needed three stitches in a cut on the left eyebrow, and bled from the nose.

Clint Jones, Crawley, 171, outscored Reginald Squire, Swindom, 173, over eight by 79-78½. Squire was decked in round three.

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National Sporting Club, London8Bonny McKenzie, Cardiff, 172, outscored substitute Eddie Smith, 172½ over eight by 78½-77½.

Smith took two or three rounds to settle into a rhythm, but when he did he made thing hot for his opponent. McKenzie was in a bit of trouble in the fourth, but weathered the storm, came back well, and survived a late rally by Smith.

George Peacock, Greenock, 140¼, just got home against Sylvester Gordon, Peckham, 141¼, the margin being 78½-78 after eight.

This confirmed a previous victory, but last time the distance was six rounds.

Gordon was down in the third from a right hand, but came back strongly. The cleaner punching came from the more aggressive Peacock.

Boyd Farrer, Hayes, 164, outpointed Roger Rider, Bournemouth, 161, by 59½-58½ over six.

St. Andrews Sporting Club, Glasgow–Scot Dave McCabe, 138½, made it sixteen bouts without defeat by outpointing substitute Martin Bridge, Bradford, 140, over 79-77½. This confirmed a previous win.

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1. Trevor Bervick (C)
2. Les Stevens (E)
3. Ngozika Ekwelum (N)
4. Billy Aird (E)
5. Paul Sykes (E)
6. George Chuvalo (C)
7. Tony Moore (J)
8. Steve Aczel (A)
9. Denton Ruddock (E)
10. Tommy Kiley (E)

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
Champion
Lotte Mwale (Z)
1. John Conteh (E)
2. Mustapha Wassaja (U)
3. Gary Summerhays (C)
4. Tony Mundine (A)
5. David Conteh (E)
6. Bunny Jonson (E)
7. Ernie Barr (B)
8. Rab Affleck (S)
9. Francis Hands (E)
10. Victor Attivor (G)

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
Champion
Ayub Kalule (U)
1. Alan Minter (E)
2. Frankie Lucas (St. Vin.)
.3 Kevin Finnegan (E)
4. Monty Betham (NZ)
5. Eddie Melo (C)
6. Wally Carr (A)
7. Bunny Sterling (E)
8. Fernand Marcotte (C)
9. Scorpion Ofosu (G)
10. Al Korovou (A)

LIGHT MIDDLEWEIGHTS
Champion
Maurice Hope (An)
1. Rocky Mattioli (A)
2. Jimmy Batten (E)
3. Elisha Obed (B)
4. Dave Proud (E)
5. Kenny Bristol (Gu)
6. Pat Thomas (St. Kitts)
7. Robbie Davies (E)
8. Larry Paul (E)
9. Mark Barnett (A)
10. Prince Rodney (E)

WELTERWEIGHTS
Champion
Clyde Gray (C)
1. Dave Green (E)
2. Hector Thompson (A)
3. Neil Pattel (A)
4. Chris Clarke (C)
5. Sakarai Ve (Fiji)
6. Kirkland Laing (E)
7. John H. Stracey (E)
8. Eddie Marcel (T)
9. Vernon Lewis (Gu)
10. Henry Rhiney (E)

LIGHT WELTERWEIGHTS
Champion
Obisia Nwankpa (N)
1. Jeff Malcolm (A)
2. Lachie Austin (A)
3. Colin Powers (E)
4. Clinton McKenzie (E)
5. Des Morrison (E)
6. Frank Ropis (A)
7. Josef Nsubuga (U)
8. Al Ford (C)
9. Nick Furlano (C)
10. Tommy Davitt (E)

LIGHTWEIGHTS
Champion
Hogan Jimoh (N)
1. Jim Watt (S)
2. Charlie Nash (I)
3. Claude Noel (T)
4. Ralph Racine (C)
5. Lennox Blackmore (G)
6. Barry Michael (A)
7. Johnny Claydon (E)
8. Cornelius Boza-Edwards (U)
9. Gaetan Hart (C)
10. Fred Mensah (G)

FEATHERWEIGHTS
Champion
Eddie Ndukwu (N)
1. Dave Needham (E)
2. Pat Cowdell (E)e
3. Les Pickett (W)
4. Patrick Forde (Gu)
5. Jimmy Flint (E)
6. Brian Roberts (A)
7. Nick Lo Bianco (A)
8. Metat Balla (A)
9. Gerry Duffy (S
10. Paul Chance (E)

BANTAMWEIGHTS
Champion
Johnny Owen (W)
1. Paul Ferreri (A)
2. Sulley Shittu (G)
3. Dave Smith (E)
4. Gary Davidson (E)
5. Charlie Brown (A)
6. John Feeney (E)
7. Jim Bowen (A)
8. Charlie Parvin (S)
9. Alan Ashby (A)
10. George Sutton (W)

FLYWEIGHTS
Champion
Patrick Mambwe (Z)
1. Charlie Magri (E)
2. Steve Bell (A)
3. Pedro Solo (A)
4. Ray Amoo (N)
5. Glen Walsh (A)
6. Roger Richens (A)
7. Neil McLaughlin (I)
8. John Hipwell (A)
9. Bryn Griffiths (W)
10. Junior Thompson (A)

John Aba (Papua) is the junior lightweight champion. Contenders are David Kotey (G), Kazeem Armah (N) and Jean LaPointe (C).

Legend: (An) Antigua; (A) Australia; (B) Bahamas; (C) Canada; (D) Dominica; (E) England; (Fi) Fiji Islands; (G) Ghanda; (Gu) Guyana; (In) India; (I) Ireland; (J) Jamaica; (M) Malta; (N) Nigeria; (NZ) New Zealand; (S) Scotland; (T) Trinidad; (To) Tonga; (U) Uganda; (W) Wales; (Z) Zambia.

McCabe gave an efficient display of boxing and his southpaw style had Bridge a little nonplussed at times. Nevertheless, the latter kept on the attack, and McCabe was forced back on the defensive, albeit he always looked in control of the situation.

Former British amateur champ Billy Lauder, Edinburgh, 156, just shaded it against Harry Watson, Doncaster, 157, scoreline 79-78½ over eight. In fact, a section of the crowd thought Watson unlucky.

In the fifth, Lauder, was slightly cut by the right eye, but he boxed his way to victory over an opponent who kept going, yet was warned for "slapping," which could have contributed to his defeat.

Ray Heaney, Lurgan, 134, "kayoed" Ian Pickersgill, Doncaster, 138, in sixty-two seconds of the opening session.

Heaney drove his opponent to the latter's own corner, where it looked as if their heads banged together. Down went Pickersgill, who failed to beat the count.

Liam Linnen, 145, kayoed Pat Smythe, Gainsborough, 146, in the sixth and final round. A right to the chin did the trick, and it avenged a previous defeat.

Tiffanys Ballroom, Glasgow–Eddie Burke, Inverkeithing, made a successful comeback after six months inactivity by beating Tony Monaghan, Irish light heavyweight champ, the bout being stopped at the end of the fifth.

Monaghan was decked in the fourth and twice in the following round. The last knockdown was right on the bell, and when Monaghan rose it looked as if he wanted to retire.

Dave Douglas, Glasgow, 147, jabbed neatly to outscore Gerry Maguire, Belfast, over six. Maguire was through the ropes in the third, and did well to last out.

Bobby Breen, Dunfermline, 123, didn't lose a round in outpointing Terry Hanna, Belfast, 122½, over six by 60-58. Southpaw Breen deposited his opponent on the canvas in round three, but Hanna rose before a count could be started.

Anglo-American Sporting Club, London–Winston Spencer, Walworth, 139½, gained his twelfth victory in thirteen contests by beating veteran George McGurk, Jarrow, 140, who was disqualified for "butting" in round two.

McGurk was twice warned before being ruled out. Inconclusive, maybe, but Spencer was showing up well when McGurk's spoiling tactics would allow him to do so.

Salvo Nuciforo, Falmouth, 156½, outscored George Walker, Chiswick, 154, over eight by 79-78. Some made it closer.

Salvo didn't have it easy in the first three rounds, bleeding from the nose and being on the receiving end of a few good punches. But from then on he proved the stronger of the two.

Walker kept punching away, but pluck was not enough against the harder-punching Nuciforo.

Tony Laing, Nottingham, 143, beat Jimmy Smith, Tottenham, 143½, the referee intervening in the fourth. Smith was down in round two, and shaken by a left that left him with little vision from his right eye.

Doug Hill, Stoke, 136, outpointed Shaun Stewart, Barnsley, 138, over six by 60-57½, not losing a round.

Neptunes Palace, Caister–Aggressive Tony Carroll, Liverpool, 138, outscored Brian Snagg, also from Liverpool, 138, over eight by 79½-77½. A fine bout, a deserved victory, and one which confirmed a previous win.

Stan Atherton, Liverpool, 141, outscored Jess Harper, Manchester, 142, over six. Atherton never stopped coming forward, and this was a little too much for Harper, who was returning after a period of inactivity.

John Cooper, Mitcham, 126½, put Alex Irvine, Manchester, 125½, on the canvas in round three, but couldn't keep him there.

Selvin Bell, Manchester, outscored Larry Richards, Leicester, 127¼, by the narrow margin of 59-58½ over six. Bell was the more accurate.

Queen Mary Ballroom, Dudley Zoo–Mohammed Younis, 118, kayoed Jimmy Bott, Liverpool, 118, in the second round after having previously decking him twice.

Younis started fast, and kept up the pressure until a right to the head put Bott on the canvas in the opening session. On rising, a left hook put him down again.

In round two, Bott again fell from a left to the head and tried hard, but in vain, to beat the count.

Martin McEwan, Birmingham, 164, outscored Ron Green, Stoke, 170, over six rounds. Again it was a case of the aggressor winning.

Joe Jackson, Coventry, 162, outpointed Alan Worthington, Liverpool, 160, over six by 60-57, not losing a round.

John Henry, Leicester, 126, gained a four-rounds points win against Jimmy Hancock, Liverpool, 126 by the narrow margin of 39½-39. A good bout.

Roy Skeldon, Tipton, 174, didn't lose a round in outscoring Rocky Burton, Coventry, 178, by 40-38 over four.

Seymour Hall, London–Controversy surrounded the victory of Colin Ward, Northampton, 156, over Dave Proud, 155½, the bout being stopped with three seconds remaining in the seventh when Proud was cut on the left eyelid.

The controversy was over the extent of the injury, which Proud's cornermen did not consider serious enough to have warranted a stoppage. Also, Proud seemed to have a commanding lead with only one more round to go.

When they met before Proud won on points. This time he looked like he was going to do the same, but Ward put up a strong challenge, and it was a good fight to watch.

The obvious solution seems to be a "rubber" contest.

Gary Nickels, Paddington, 128½, was thought lucky by some to gain an eight-round draw against Garry Ball, Roehampton, 130¼. It enabled Nickels to keep his unbeaten record, although Ball's strong finish seemed to deserve a better fate.

Sid Smith, Tulse Hill, 141½, outscored Dai Davies, Wales, 141, over eight by 80-77, not losing a round. Both were cut, Smith under the left eye in the seventh and Davies by the right eye in the final session. Both came from clashes of heads.

Tommy Wright, Doncaster, 138, outpointed Barry Price, Crawley, 139¼, over eight by 79-80. Price was down momentarily in the fifth, and Wright's greater experience prevailed.

Tommy Burling, Manor Park, 135¼, drew with Wally Stocks, Isleworth, 134, over four. A cracking contest, fought at a fast pace.

Carnegie Rooms, Thetford–After a year's inactivity, Wayne Floyd, Epsom, 140, outpointed Norman Morton, Newcastle, 137, over eight by the narrow margin of 78½-78.

It was toe-to-toe all the way, and much appreciated by the fans.

Trevor Cattouse, London, kayoed Eddie Vierling, Southampton, in round five with a right to the head. Vierling banged his head on the canvas as he fell.

Yorkshire Executive Sporting Club, Bradford–Prince Rodney, Huddersfield, 152, beat Mike Copp, Swansea, 154, who retired at the end of the third round with a damaged hand.

Winston Allen, 200, outscored Derek Simpkin, Swadlincote, 203, over eight by 80-78, not losing a round.

Peter Tidgewell, Bradford, 173, gained a six-rounds points win over Steve Rabbs, Swansea, 177, scoreline 59½-58½. Lee Hartshorn, Leeds, 146½, outscored Jess Harper, Liverpool, 145, by 60-58 over six. He, too, didn't lose a round.

Pavilion, Hemel Hempstead–Jimmy Pickard, Pudsey, 165, conceded half a stone and still outpointed Clint Jones, wimbledon, 174¼, over eight by 78½-77½.

An unexciting contest, too much mauling, but, unfortunately, the bill had to be arranged when two contests could not take place because of late withdrawals due to injuries.

Highspot of the show was the knockout victory of Davey Mullings, Tottenham, 180, over Joey Williams, Poplar, 178. It was a right hand, thrown as Mullings was backing into the ropes, that did the trick. Williams tried hard to get up, but his legs wouldn't respond.

Two exhibition bouts completed the depleted bill.

North Staffs Sporting Club, Stoke–Granville Allen, Wednesbury, 146, put Jimmy Roberts, Liverpool, 146½, on the canvas three times but couldn't keep him there, and had to settle for an eight-rounds points win. Scoreline 80-77, Allen not losing a round.

The spectators loved this one, and threw in nobbins afterwards.

Joe Jackson, Coventry, 161, beat Peter Morris, Bridgnorth, 161, who retired at the end of the fourth because of a cut over the left eye.

Godwin "Honeyboy" Josephs, 147, returned to his native country for a holiday after emigrating to Canada, and outscored Gary Newell, Wolverhampton, 146, over eight by 79½-77½.

Josephs, a former amateur from Bilston, looked in control against stubborn opposition, and it is possible that he may stay for a few more fights in Britain.

Rocky Burton, Bedworth, 178, outpointed Emmanuel Lucas, Leicester, 171, over six by 59½-57½.

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NEWS FROM AUSTRALIA

By RAY MITCHELL

One right hand to the jaw ended the Terry Fox-Rocky St. Clair battle at Blacktown R.S.L. Club. It came suddenly. St. Clair shook Fox, who clinched for a moment, then moved away. St. Clair followed him, but Fox exploded the right and down went Rocky. He was up at five, reeled back across the ring on rubbery legs but he stayed on his pins while referee Trevor Christian counted to eight. Trevor spoke to Rocky but the boxer's eyes were unseeing, so Christian led him to his corner and crowned Fox.

It had been a good fight, and at the end, which came midway through round eight, there was nothing in the points. Either Fox, 178, or St. Clair, 174½, could have won on points had the contest lasted its scheduled ten rounds.

Rocky did not recover in his corner so he left the ring on a stretcher and was taken to Blacktown Hospital. Doctors were pessimistic. Around ten o'clock the following morning, he was transferred to St. Vincents Hospital, Sydney, where Rocky's main trouble was diagnosed as massive concussion–not haemorrhage as was first believed.

At time of writing this–some three weeks later–Rocky St. Clair still is in the hospital but he was removed from the critical list a day or so after admission. He has been out of danger for some time.

Of course, the newspapers played it up the day after the fight. Front page stuff. Football deaths seldom make front page. Deaths in other sports almost never do. This I pointed out to two or three sporting editors who phoned me early the morning after Rocky St. Clair was hospitalised.

"You are the president of the Australian Boxing Federation," said the first, at 6.15 a.m. "What are your comments?"

He sounded gleeful. To him it was a story. I pointed out that Rocky was alive and would not die. I was sure he would not. I had been present at ringside and reckoned Rocky had concussion, not cerebral haemorrhage.

I pointed out that, in the past twenty years in Australia, eleven boxers had died, whereas in one year, 1977, twelve hang gliders had died in this country. The hang griders had made only small notice inside the paper, whereas the boxers had made front page.

Rocky's injury made front page, all right.

If they (the newspapers) wanted a story, there was a beautiful story around the outcome of the Fox-St. Clair fight. It happened at Blacktown Hospital not long after St. Clair was admitted.

Fox went to the hospital to check on Rocky. When he arrived he was told that St. Clair had little chance of recovery. Terry Fox fell on his hands and knees and burst into tears.

After a minute or so, a woman went to him, cradled his head on her chest and comforted him. The woman was Rocky St. Clair's mother.

It was a bad night for Rockys. In the main support over eight rounds, Kelly Thompson, 139½, halted Rocky Maguire, 142, in the fourth.

The Australian welterweight title changed hands at Brisbane Festival Hall. Former champion Steve Dennis, 146½, halted defending title holder Neil Pattel, 146¾, in round twelve. Pattel had not won a round and at the end of the 12th his manager, Reg Layton, pulled him out of the contest.

It was Steve's twenty-first win, including seventeen by KO, against five losses and one draw. For Pattel, it was his seventh loss against twenty-three wins and four draws.

The Dennis-Pattel bout was billed for fifteen rounds.

In the ten-round main support, former Australian lightheavy and heavy champion Steve Aczel, 182, halted Fetiaiki Namoa, 187, in the ninth round. Over eight Greg Liesegang, 133, stopped Billy Facer, 138, because of a badly swollen eye. The eight was a hard fight.

Roger Henry, 125¾, and Lindsay Roberts, 125, turned on a real heart-stopper in their ten-round New South Wales State featherweight title tilt at Revesby Workers Club. Henry was defending the title but you wouldn't have given him much chance in the first three rounds. Roberts, who has the hardest left hook, pound for pound, in Australia, used it with great effect. He dumped Henry in the second round but Roger got up at two and boxed like a champion. Near the end of the round, Henry was down again. He was up at six and shaky. The bell rang at eight.

Henry was dropped again in the third but, again, he got up. He went to close quarters, away from that flashing left that strikes faster than a snake. Then a punch from Roberts landed on Henry's groin. Down went Roger in a heap and the No Foul rule was applied by referee Trevor Christian.

It was champagne stuff in the fourth, but again Roberts landed that left hook and again Henry went down. He jumped up at one.

In the fifth frame, Henry's hard blows in close began to take their toll of Roberts. A series of fast blows dropped Roberts to all fours. He beat the ten, but soon afterwards a low blow came from Henry and again the No Foul rule was applied.

Henry bounced out for the sixth session and bombarded Roberts, who fought back, but Henry was landing far more often and Roberts was starting to flounder. At round's end Lindsay Roberts was all in and his corner withdrew him during the interval. Henry, apparently beaten early, thus retained his title. A great battle; a great fight.

Actually, this ten-rounder did not get top billing. Frank Ropis, 139¾, and Andy Broome, 138, battled over twelve rounds, and this had plenty of action, though lacking the class expected. Ropis won clearly on points. Referee Alf Weymark had a margin of seven points, as I did unofficially.

Phil "Spider" Davies, 153, clearly outpointed Benny Tabua, 154, over ten rounds at Mt. Pritchard Community Club for the vacant N.S.W. State junior middleweight title. Plenty of action with Davies the fast-moving boxer against aggressive Tabua.

At Cardiff Workers Club, Charlie Brown, 119, outpointed Sparrow Freeman, 121, over ten for the first ever N.S.W. State junior featherweight title. Brown won clearly, no danger, but it was such a good fight the ringsiders showered the ring to the extent of $60.

Tony Mundine had an easy passage in defending his Australian heavyweight title at Melbourne Town Hall. Mundine, 177, gave away some four inches in height to six-foot, five-inch Marc Ecimovic, 210, and dumped Marc in the second round. He completely dominated the tall one and referee Ken Brady stopped the fight immediately after Ecimovic hit the deck.

At South Sydney Junior Leagues Club, Kingsford, Al Gattling, 174, outpointed Terry Fox, 175, over ten. Victory was clear-cut though not one-sided. This was two days before Fox met Rocky St. Clair.

Same venue, two weeks later, Torkano Marcos, 159, had an armchair ride against vastly inferior Eric King, 155. Referee Dal Conway called it off in round six and crowned Marcos.

There was a very successful pro-am night in the N.S.W. country town Tamworth, with four six-round pro and nine amateur bouts being on the bill. Everyone of the thirteen contests was showered by the enthusiastic crowd.

At Lismore, Speedy Duke, 144, easily outpointed Robert Hickling, 148, over ten. In an eight, Gary Tomlinson, 148, stopped Dave Edewards, 150, in round five. In another eight, Rex Cannon, 130, halted Noel Kelly, 130, at the end of the fifth with Kelly being withdrawn because of a cut eye.

Final results of the month: At Jerilderie, Johnny Duff, 123, drew with Paul Hansen, 125, over eight; at Brookvale, Bob Holt, 164, outpointed Ken Morris, 154, over eight; at Springvale, Stan Bogovic outpointed Graham Murray (light heavies) over ten, to register Murray's first loss in nineteen fights; Brian Everard outpointed Brian Schofield, junior-lights. over ten on the same bill.

CANADIAN MARITIMES

By GERRY SPEARS

HALIFAX, NOVA SCOTIA–The largest crowd ever to attend a boxing card in the Maritimes, in the vicinity of ten thousand people contributing approximately $85,000 sat in on what was billed as the Heavyweight Championship of the Americas, approved by the WBC and also recognized by the WBA between Trevor Berbick and Bernardo Mercado. The excitement had been building for days and the arrival of Mercado some five days before the scheduled date to taper off in the local gym added to the already fever pitch of the fans.

Well what every fan had waited for did not take long to end once the bout started. At the opening bell Berbick immediately backed Mercado against the ropes, throwing left and rights and was all over his opponent. It looked like it might end very fast, and it did, but not the way Trevor had hoped. After coming off the ropes both boys landed a couple of punches, when, to everyone's surprise, Berbick sort of stepped back, dropped his hands a bit, and–boom–Mercado hit him with probably the hardest punch ever thrown in a Maritime ring. It landed flush on Berbick's jaw and it was bye bye birdie at two minutes and fifty-seconds of the first round. It was considerable time before Trevor regained his feet. It was Berbick's first loss in twelve professional fights. Berbick weighed in at 216, Mercado at 218.

In one of the two ten-rounders on the card Don Johnson defeated Ralph Hollett in a rather dull fight. Hollett, not being a master boxer, waited for the one big shot to take out his opponent. Johnson was quite content to box and stay away from the right of Hollett, who can take you out with that one punch. Hollett, from Halifax, weighed in at 158 while Johnson, a native of Liverpool, N.S., now fighting out of Halifax, weighed in at 154.

In the second ten-rounder on the card, Lawrence Hafey of Stellerton, N.S., weighing in at 146, was given the verdict over Al Little of New York, 149, when Little was disqualified for not getting up after what appeared to be a half push and slip. There was no count and the referee claimed he had asked Little if he was going to get up, and after hearing no response, disqualified him. It appeared Little was confused and was either waiting for a count or direction from the referee. In any event, it was a bizarre ending to a bout that up until the end at one minute seventeen seconds of the sixth round, had been a very even fight.

In a six-round curtain raiser, Don Downey, of Halifax, weighing 145, stopped Fermo Wilson, of New York, weighing 144, at the fifty-four second mark of the second round. This was a pier six brawl while it lasted. Wilson decked Downey twice in the first round and he in turn was also down twice in the first. In the second round, after Downey had twice floored Wilson, the referee stopped the contest.

So after the terrific buildup for the card, the fans were sent home early. But one must expect these things in the sport of boxing, especially when the big boys start throwing leather.

MWALE HALTS SUMMERHAYS

By FRANK ALLNUTT

ZAMBIA–Lotte Mwale of Zambia is the new Commonwealth light heavyweight champion after his fifth round K.O. over Gary Summerhays (Brantford) the defending champion. Mwale, with eleven pro bouts on his record going into the fight, had won eight by kayo and three by decision. Included in that record was a first round K.O. over Lonnie Bennett and a decision win over Marvin Johnson, both in 1978.

In winning the championship, Mwale also became the first fighter to deck Summerhays in his fifty-one pro bout career. Summerhays won the Commonwealth championship with a K.O. win over Tony Mundine in Australia in Feb., 1978. Unable to secure a promoter in Canada to defend his title against Summerhayes journeyed to South Africa to defend. The very large crowd on hand for the fight were not disappointed, as right from the opening bell both fighters came out punching. The first two rounds were fought on even terms, Mwale, an aggressive fighter, staying right on top of his opponent. The bout continued at a fast pace and it was in the fifth round that Mwale cut loose with a heavy barrage of punches to the head of Summerhays which dropped him. On regaining his feet, the referee, Mr. Harry Gibbs (U.K.), called a halt to the bout, ruling that Summerhays was in no condition to continue.

HAWAIIAN ISLANDS

By TED YAMACHIKA

HONOLULU, OAHU–Andrew Ganigan, 134⅛, Honolulu, scored his best win of his comeback campaign by easily outpointing Vicente Saldivar, 134, Mexico, in a twelve-round title fight held at the Blaisdell center. At stake was the North American Boxing Federation lightweight title held by Ganigan who won by a unanimous decision. Referee Abe Pacheco scored it 58-52 and judges Bobby Lee and Edwin McCourt 59-52 and 59-55 respectively.

Ganigan was recently selected as one of the fighters to take part in an elimination to find a successor to Duran's vacated lightweight title. Larry Ichinose, Ganigan's manager, and his camp are well aware that this might be Ganigan's last chance. At twenty-six, Ganigan is no youngster. The next few months are going to be crucial ones for him.

In prelims: Abdul Bey, 126 3/4, Chicago, knocked out Alex Oregal, 126 3/4, Mexico, in the seventh of a scheduled eight-rounder. Rolando Pastor, 131, Philippines, beat Rosendo Ramirez, 130 3/4, Mexico, six. Ful Sumagaysay, 135, Philippines, beat Terry Welch, 113 6½, Panama, five. Tofi Mika, 166½, Samoa, and Carl Poff, 168½, Honolulu, drew, five.

CANADIAN RATINGS BY THE CANADIAN BOXING FEDERATION

HEAVYWEIGHTS
Champion:
TITLE VACANT
1. Trevor Berbick (Halifax)
2. George Chuvalo (Toronto)
3. Earl McLeay (Calgary)
4. Ron Rouselle (Toronto)
5. George Jerome (Vancouver)
6. Chuck Findlay (Toronto)
7. Conroy Nelson (Toronto)

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
Champion:
Fernand Marcotte, Jr. (Montreal)
1. Jim Gradson (Toronto)
2. Don Johnson (Halifax)
3. Ralph Hollett (Halifax)
4. Wayne Caplette (Winnipeg)
5. Rick Zarbatany (Montreal)

LIGHTWEIGHTS
Champion
Gaetan Hart (Hull)
1. **Ralph Racine (Niagara Falls)**
2. **Nicky Furlao (Toronto)**
3. **Al Ford (Edmonton)**
4. **Johnny Summerhays (Brantford)**

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
Champion:
Garry Summerhays (Brantford)
1. Eddie Melo (Toronto)
2. Murray Sutherland (Brantford)
3. Kevin Downey (Halifax)
4. Jean Claude LeClair (Montreal)
5. Roddie MacDonald (Toronto)

WELTERWEIGHTS
Champion:
Clyde Gray (Toronto)
1. Lawrence Hafey (Halifax)
2. Chris Clarke (Halifax)
3. Allan Clarke (Halifax)
4. Alan Turrenne (Montreal)

FEATHERWEIGHTS
Champion:
TITLE VACANT
1. Jean LaPointe (Montreal)

MIAMI

By TONY ARNOLD

MIAMI BEACH, FLA.–The Miami Beach Auditorium was the setting for veteran promoter Chris Dundee's latest show. The enthusiastic crowd was liberally sprinkled with show business, political, and fistic celebs.

Among those in attendance were: K.O. Phil Delmont, famed for his first round knockout of the great champion Mickey Walker, way, way, back in 1919; classy welterweight contender of the fifties, Vince Martinez who's bid for the 147 lb. crown was halted by one Virgil Akins via a fourth round kayo in 1958; former WBC jr. middleweight titleholder Elisha Obed of Nassau, Bahamas; "Fight Doctor" Ferdie Pacheco, Ali's long-time personal physician; several members of the South African Boxing Commission; and comedian Henny Youngman, who begged me to "take my autograph, please" and I did!

The featured attraction of the evening was an eight-rounder spotlighting Orlando's undefeated James Salerno, just seventeen years old, and now fighting out of the Miami area. His opponent, from Silwood, Fla., was Frank Bass, 178 lbs. This was the second meeting between the stocky Bass and the lean and rangy (6'5") Salerno, who tipped the scales at 171 lbs. Back in June of 1977, Salerno had defeated Bass on a second round disqualification.

The first three rounds of this contest were carbon copies of each other. Bass, who pressed Salerno ineffectively throughout these sessions, was just too slow, reflexwise and speedwise, to cope with the fast moving, elusive, and sharpshooting Salerno. Jimmy plastered his opponent's face incessantly with stinging double and triple jabs.

Frank took a brief trip to the canvas in the latter part of round two when he plodded into a stiff right to the head.

Round four found a supremely confident Salerno Bass with punishing combinations for the full three minutes of the round. Seconds before the bell ending the fourth, Salerno doubled Bass over with a solid right to the body.

There was a brief dissertation between Bass and his corner between rounds, resulting in Bass's corner requesting referee Eddie Eckert to end the proceeding's, as Bass was heading nowhere fast at this point.

The halt was officially called during the rest period between round four and five.

This win upped Salerno's record to nineteen straight victories, thirteen by kayo.

The opening bout, a four-rounder between Miami's Dennis Green 146, and Homestead's Juan Torres, 148, was virtually punchless for the first two rounds.

Green broke the ice with a good right to the head of Torres in the third. This punch had the reverse effect expected by Green. It woke Torres up, and he retaliated with an aggressive attack that continued right through the fourth and final round, ending in a decision win for Torres.

Richie Gonzalez, 149, New Orleans, a popular young protege of exlightheavy champion Willie Pastrano, faced scrappy, courageous Dorian Lisbona, New York City, 147.

Cy Gottfried refereed this crowd pleasing contest, which featured the quick jabbing and smart footwork of Gonzalez, offsetting the aggressive and wild swinging Lisbona's attack.

Mid-way through round one, Lisbona stunned Gonzales with a vicious over-hand right, but Gonzalez came right back with a jolting right hand counter, to maintain control of this hard fought round. Round two continued in the same vein, until, suddenly, Lisbona scored with several solid blows that hurt and enraged Gonzalez, who then decided to "stand his ground", resulting in a savage toe-to-toe exchange. In the midst of the exchange Lisbona received a severe gash over the left eye. Referee Gottfried halted the action in mid-round to call in the ring-side physician, who recommended the contest be halted. This was done at 2:18 seconds of the round, Gonzalez the winner. This one deserves a rematch.

In a light-heavy four-rounder, referee Cy Gottfried was lucky he didn't catch pneumonia from all the air being blown about by wild-swinging 214 lb. Dennis Cardwell, an extremely awkward novice who appeared never to have laced on a glove prior to this contest.

His opponent at 194 lbs., Gino "Frenchy" Belanger, Quebec City, Canada, allowed Caldwell to force the action and repeatedly caught him coming in with stiff jabs and an occasional right hand. Round two: Caldwell took a few jabs and then retreated to a neutral corner. Belanger crowded his man, banging away with both hands. Caldwell retaliated by spitting out his mouthpiece and refusing to fight back, resulting in the referee calling an end to the proceeding's after 1:25 of the round.

This was the Canadian's fifth straight triumph to date.

Scrappy Sammy Masias, 148, Homestead, stepped into the ring in eyestopping Mexican regalia, complete with sequinned sombrero, to face Fort Lauderdale's Ron Hamilton 141.

A good pairing of styles in this contest, as round one saw a swift and cagey Hamilton out maneuvering the forcing Masias, and scoring very effectively with punishing sneak right hands which quickly reddened Sammy's face.

Masias was relentless in round two, as despite the fact that he was still running into solid right hands he continued to crowd his man, finally bullying Hamilton backward with a strong flurry anding in a hard right that sent Hamilton halfway through the ropes, and into a sitting position on the ring apron. Hamilton arose at eight, but seemed bewildered. His corner then threw in the towel, and referee Bernie Soto called an immeidate halt. The time 2:10 of the rd. This one had been scheduled for six.

In another four-rounder, 152 lb. Peter Tramamntero of Coral Springs faced a much shorter Ramundo Ramirez, 145, Homestead.

Tramantero, too tall and slick for the game and aggressive Ramundo, took charge form the first, and maintained control throughout the four sessions. Tramantero a decisive winner by decision. There were no knockdowns.

Another heavyweight encounter pitted veteran Carl Baker, Nassau, against Jeff Syms, Belle Glade. Both weighed in at 210 lbs. Baker, who once fought Jimmy Ellis (Ellis scored a one round ko), at first appeared too ring-wise for the inexperienced Syms, and showed some clever defensive movements in the early part of the 1st rd. Syms superior strength and punching power soon came to the fore as mid-way through the round a right upper-cut sent Baker down for a mandatory eight count.

Syms then forced Baker to the ropes and pounded him until the closing seconds of this session, when a solid left hook sent Carl to the canvas for a second time. He arose just in time to beat the count, and was saved by the bell.

In round two Syms tore after Baker with a vengeance, dropping his man once again with a powerful left-right combo. The referee then called a halt, when it seemed obvious that Baker no longer had a chance. Only 15 seconds had gone by in this round. Syms an easy KO winner.

The evening's final bout was action packed, with James Roper (170) Ft. Lauderdale and Bob Francino (166) Palm Beach, giving it their all from the start.

Round one had a number of fast and furious exchanges, with neither man able to take charge.

Round two again had both men battling furiously away when a hard right to the body dropped Roper. He seemed in obvious distress, as he rolled around on the canvas holding his side.

He was counted out after 2:55 had gone by in his second canto. The ko winner–Bob Francino.

An exciting end to a good evening's entertainment.

MIAMI, FLA–The classic 1931 boxing movie *The Champ*, which starred Wallace Beery and Jackie Cooper, returned to the screen in a modern version, with recent academy award winner John Voight in the starring role, as the former pugilist, who for noble reasons, attempts a return to the prize ring and his former glories.

The movie, a real "tear-jerker" debuted in Miami in a special invitational premiere which was attended by local officials and former fistic stars.

Beau Jack, ex-lightweight boss, former featherweight champ Petey Scalzo, 50's middleweight contender Billy Kilgore, and the owner of Hialeah race track, where a good portion of the film took place, were among the attending luminaries.

The affair was hosted by "Big" Wilson, of Miami radio station WIOD, and a "good cry" was had by all.

IN OLDE NEW NEW ENGLAND

By BILLY KOWALCZYK

SPRINGFIELD, MASS.–Civic Center–Jimmy Corku, the Brockton Beauty who, at nineteen, is looking for a world title shot early next year according to Vinnie Vaccione, his manager and trainer, had his hands full with Paterson, New Jersey spoiler Hank Rosa. Rosa, 139, looked like a winner in the early rounds with clever moves and superior punching power, but, as usual, Corkum, looking lean and sharp at 140, began to worry. When he worries, says his manager, it's good. Suddenly, "Corkum's Combinations" began working, and Jimmy's pin point punching power took its toll. Corkum won the decision. As far as Hank Rossa is concerned, he thought he won, and can't wait for a return shot at the New England champ.

Steve Snow, 147, Holike, opened the show against Louis Rodriguez, 145, Springfield, and scored a knockout at 1:10 of the second in a scheduled four-rounder. Jose Verdijo, 180, Springfield, took the nod over Moe Wilson, 178, Waterbury, four. Battling Hector Ortiz, Hartford, kayoed Ralph Ducett, 147, Lowell, at forty-eight seconds of round four. It was the third win in a row for the Hartford battler, who is making Duke Antone's investment look better all the time.

Dave (Ziggy) Zyglewicz, the Texas heavyweight who lost to Joe Frazier in a title shot, brought an interesting 139-pounder into town by the name of Danny Ferris. Danny, who hails from Albany, made his derectors proud as he winged his way to a second round kayo over Jose Martinez, 131, Lowell, Mass.

The six-round semi-final saw Benny Benitez, 139, Springfield, take a close decision over Timmy LaVally, 140, Troy, New York. This, too, was an interesting fight, and manager Zyglewicz, who handles LaVally, showed his displeasure over the unpopular decision. "I thought my man won going away," said Ziggy. This would make a good rematch.

Boxing in this fistic center is looking up. Here's hoping that promoter Vitalo Milano and his matchmaker, Vito Tallareta, both keep up the good work.

HARTFORD, CONN.–Civic Center–Louis Davila, 135, the New England lightweight champion, won a ten-round unanimous decision over game young tiger Jimmy Brockett, New York City, who, incidentally, hadn't fought in a year and a half. Brockett's lone claim to fame was a questionable decision he lost to the champ a couple of years ago in a close Waterbury, Conn., bout that could have gone either way. But tonight there was no denying the New England champion, who took six of the ten rounds with four rounds even, in my opinion.

The Hartford Civic Center sold out for the second time in a row, 1400 people being present. Not bad for director Frank Russo, matchmaker Vito Tallareta, and boxing director Johnny Cisorio, one-time New England welterweight and middleweight champion.

The semi-final saw Nick Ortiz, 157, Hartford, wipe out the comeback hopes of ring wise Jose Pagan Rivera, 159, Holyoke, and stop him at 1:41 of round three. The promising Ortiz has scored three kayoes in a row, and his manager-trainer, Johnny Datro, couldn't be happier. He's trying to get Ortiz a New England middleweight title shot for later in the year.

In the opener, Muhammed Shabaz, 166, Hartford, took the nod from "Young Beau Jack," Paterson, New Jersey, in four crowd pleasing rounds.

The second four-rounder ended before it started, as Hamden, Conn., heavyweight Kenny Schmidt, a 201-pound bruiser, put the lights out for Billy Grant, 185, Elizabeth, N.J., at 1:27 of the first round with a powerful one-two combination. Schmidt, 3-0, is handled by former welterweight contender Gaspar Ortega.

The Third bout also ended early as "nationally known" Wilbur Henderson, the former two-time AAU champion from Hartford, fighting at a heavy 164 pounds, took the starch out of Greg Burdette, 167, Waterbury. Henderson threw a left hook so fast that it could barely be seen by the naked eye. It was all over for Burdette at 2:50 of the first. The knockout was the third one in a row for Henderson, and he looked good!

FISTICUFFS IN PHILLY

By NIGEL COLLINS

PHILADELPHIA–Classy middleweight prospect Jerome "Silky" Jackson scored a unanimous eight-round decision over Cincinnati veteran Clifford Wills in the main event at the Blue Horizon.

Wills was a late substitute, and not known to the local fans coming into the bout. He looked a little overweight at 166 but managed to give Jackson a much tougher time than anticipated.

Jackson, 163½, is a smooth-moving boxer with long arms and a crisp, but not devastating, punch. Over the first half of the fight, he ran up a large lead with quick hooks to the body and sharp jabs to the head.

Wills absorbed his punishment well and came back into the fight the last three rounds. He fired a number of short rights to the head that had Jackson looking a bit concerned. It was, however, a case of too little too late.

Official scores of 40-36 and 40-35 from the two judges were way out of line and referee Joe O'Neil's tally of 38-35, also for Jackson, was much more representative of the action inside the ring.

The win lifted Jackson's pro record to 8-1-1 (two kayoes) but proved,that "Silky" still has a lot to learn before tackling the big names of the division. Given more time to prepare, Wills might have pulled an upset.

Allentown's Angel Cruz, 136, made good his first showing in the big city by counterpunching his way to a fourth-round TKO over rugged local Jorge Diaz, 140. The ringside doctor terminated a good scrap when Diaz's eyes closed after three rounds of abuse. Cruz now has seven straight victories as a pro, three via knockout.

Talented lefty Gary Hinton, 136, Phila., stopped Trenton's Lou Daniels, 144, in 2:59 of the second round. Hinton is another of Philly's new crop of good young lightweights. He is undefeated in six bouts, with three kayoes.

In the night's best action fight, Heriberto Torres, 126, edged Pete Torres, 126½, on a split decision after four rounds of give and take. Heriberto stayed busy and squeaked home the winner by throwing more leather.

Locals Charlie Brown, 141, and Leo Martinez, 156, enjoyed successful pro debuts by scoring opening round knockouts. Brown iced Wayne Dagney, 143, Phila., and Martinez flattened Atum Ali, 156, Phila., to round out the Spectrum promotion.

PHILDELPHIA–Undefeated welterweight sensation Thomas Hearns continued his winning ways at the Spectrum but failed to score a knockout for the first time in his meteoric career when local veteran Alfonso Hayman extended him the entire ten rounds.

What keptHyman on his feet throughout the one-sided mismatch is a mystery. The shopworn Philadelphia journeyman absorbed a terrible beating and finished the fight looking like a man who had been run over by a tank. His left eye was swollen practically shut, his right eye was badly bruised, lumps and bumps dotted his battered features and blood seeped from between puffy lips.

The scores of 50-41 and 50-40 (twice) reflected the lopsided nature of the bout. The ringside doctor visited Hayman's corner several times but for some reason let the massacre continue.

Hayman, 149, fought with unbelievable courage and has to be praised for showing the heart of a giant; howeve, one has to wonder why his corner allowed him to keep going in such an obviously lost cause.

Hearns, 147½, lashed out with whip-like punches in every round, catching Hayman with almost every shot he threw. His six-foot, one-inch frame gives him an awesome reach advantage over almost anyone in the welterweight division and poor old Alfonso is hardly the cream of the crop.

The Detroit "Hitman," as Hearns is sometimes called, injured his right hand landing a punch near the end of the sixth round. For the next two sessions he belabored Hayman with his left only, but switched back to a two-fisted attack in the ninth and tenth in a vain effort to scoe his eighteenth straight knockout.

At the sound of the final bell, the crowd of 5,981 gaveHayman a stirring ovation for his stubbornly masochistic performance. Hearns was rewarded by a polite round of applause and a pair of hands so swollen that he had to cancel his next scheduled match.

Local bantamweight star Jeff Chandler scored a unanimous ten-round decision over New Yorker Davey Vasquez in a fast-paced contest that saw the stringbean Philadelphian win his fifteenth in a row.

Vasquez, 118, gave Jeff trouble the first couple of rounds with his bobbing, in-and-out style. Chandler, also 118, found the range by the fifth and shook Davey from then on with crisp rights to the head.

Several times, it looked like Vasquez was ready to go but the durable Puerto Rican always managed to hang in there. It was another good showing from "Joltin' Jeff," who will be ready for top-ten opposition in the near future.

"Irish" Ted Mann, of Vineland, N.J., plastered Richie "The bandit" Bennett for a unanimous ten-round decision in an entertaining rumble billed for the "Irish Middleweight Championship."

Bennett cut loose with a solid blow from time to time, but was soundly thrashed by the busy redhead from first round to last. Mann, 161, used a pesky left jab and hefty hooks from both hands to keep "The Bandit" off balance and on the defensive all night.

Bennett, 160, of Upper Darby, bled from the nose and by the time the brawl was over both men were covered with his blood. Richie was never on the deck, but the scores of 50-44, 50-41, and 50-41 told the tale of his defeat in no uncertain terms.

Mann raised his pro log to 16-1 with eleven kayoes, while Bennett slipped a bit to 17-2-2, with twelve stoppages to his credit.

Philadelphia's latest light heavyweight hope, Jerry "The Bull" Martin, 179, body punched his way to a third-round TKO over Don Addison, 176, of Waterbury, Conn. It was another powerful outing for the very strong local and Martin is definitely a name to watch. He has already defeated highly regarded Jerry Celestine while building a record of 12-1 with seven knockouts,

and could very well break into the world rankings by the end of the year.

Unbeaten slugger Curtis Parker, 160, had an easy time stopping Arnell Thomas, 159, of Chicago, in three. A left hook dropped Thomas in the first and a potent right spelled finish at 1:38 of the third. The Philadelphia bomber now has eleven straight victories, ten coming inside the distance. He needs much sterner stuff than Thomas to test his real potential.

In other bouts, Randy "Tex" Cobb, 220, blasted hopeless Zack Ferguson, 212, in the opening frame for a pointless TKO win and youngster Kevin Howard, 149, ousted fellow Philadelphian Marvin Edwards to close the lengthy card promoted by the Spectrum, J. Russel Peltz, matchmaker.

N.Y.-P.A.

By JIM LEO

▲COHOES, N.Y.–Greg Sorrentino, 202, Syracuse, N.Y., socred a split decision win over Bob Stallings, 215, Freeport, L.I., N.Y., in the feature eight-rounder at the Community Center, outside of Albany. Sorrentino, handled by former champion Carmen Basilio, and Carmen's guider, Johnny DeJohn, used his quickness and good counter-punching to merit the win.

Sorrentino scored a quick knockdown in the second round with a short left-hook. Bob, a veteran, but looking in top shape for this bout, neverthepess was always dangerous, as he looked to get home with his strong right hands. It was billed as a New York State heavyweight championship bout. Sorrentino, who scored his second win of the year at Cohoes, is now 14-4-1.

In another eight-rounder, Darrell "Clyde" Beattie, the local favorite, from Cohoes, got the decision over Salvatore Ramos, San Juan, Puerto Rico, in a good contest. Beattie, 133, put Ramos down in the fourth with an overhand right. Ramos, 133, proved very formidable though, and, at the finish, believed he was the winner of the hard hitting battle. Beattie is managed by Dave Zyglewicz, former heavyweight contender wo faced Joe Frazier in a title bout.

In a six rounder, Rich Horan, 155, Brockton, Mass., decisioned Larry Allen, 157, Passaic, N.J. Horan dominated the scrap, dropping Allen in the sixth and getting the best of the exchanges throughout.

Popular Danny ferris, 141, Latham, N.Y., TKO'd Mark Meglow, 141, Boston, Mass., at 2:00 of the opening round of a scheduled six rounder. Ferris dropped Mellow and had him in trouble again when it was halted. Ferris is now 5-0, with five kayoes.

Also in a six-rounder, Tim La Valley, 135½, Troy, N.Y., stopped Jose Rivera, 130, Brooklyn, likewise in the first round at the 2:00 mark.The pro debuting La Valley scored a quick knockdown and was punishing RIVERA WHEN THE BOUT WAS WISELY HALTED.

In the opening bout for six rounds, Twist Welcome, 124½, Albany, N.Y., got a fourth round TKO win over Francisco Maldonado,131, Boston, Mass. Welcome was battering his foe in the fourth, and, when Maldonado, could not answer the bell for the fifth, Welcome was declared the winner on a TKO.

The card of boxing attracted a capacity one thousand fans to the Center for promoters Gene Ferris and Cha Cha Ciarcia.

In addition to former champion Carmen Basilio, †working with Sorrentino), Ike Williams, another former champion, was in attendance at the bouts.

▲ELMIRA, N.Y.–Rocky Fratto, 153, the new pride of Central New York, though hailing from Geneva, came out a unanimous decision winner over Steve Michalerya, 151¾, Allentown, Pa., in the feature ten-rounder at the Armory, promoted by the Canastota Boxing Club, and the Pudgies Pizza chain. Fratto, below par due to a bout with the flu which twice postponed the fight needed all the reserve in this one to overtake Michalerya, the schoolteacher.

Fratto, did most of his scoring with body blows and sweeping left hooks, while the Allentowner was able to connect with good right hands. In the seventh, Fratto was quickly spilled by a right hand. He came back aggressively in the eighth and ninth, and both slugged it out in the final round. In the ninth, a left-right head combination momentarily staggered Michalerya. It was a very physical battle and the Elmira crowd appreciated the action. For Rocky Fratto, the twenty-year-old youngster, it was fourteen straight on the win side. Rocky is guided by Tony Graziano, mentor of former champion Billy Backus. Fratto was a 5-4-1 winner on two official cards and a 5-2-3 winner on the other. It was hs first start of 1979.

In a six-round semi-final, Steve Arvin, 163, former binghamton, N.Y. resident now out of Trooper, Pa., was a split decision winner over Beau Jack, 165, Newark, N.Y. Arvin dropped his foe in the first, looking to be an easy winner, but Jack made Steve labor the rest of the way, making it an exciting match-up. It was Arvin's sixth straight win. In another six-rounder, Alseneo Green, 139, Allentown, Pa., gained a split decision verdict over Frankie Minnigan, 143, Rochester, N.Y., in a crowd pleaser. Heavy exchanges throughout the action bout. In a scheduled six, Danny Daniels, 137, Newark, N.J., kayoed George Green, 137, Brooklyn, N.Y., in 1:53, of the opening round. In the opening four-rounder, Danny Pats, 153, Philadelphia, TKO'd George Majors, 157, Queens, N.Y., at 2:57 of the second.

Over a thousand turned out for this the second professional show for Elmira, after an absence of many years.

SCRANTON, PA.–In the scheduled ten-round main event, Johnny Tuner, 146, Brooklyn, N.Y., continued his winning ways, at the Catholic Youth Center, as he kayoed Randy Milton, 146, Bridgeport, Conn., 2:25 into the third round.

After some even exchanges in the opening two rounds, Turner scored with a heavy left-right combination to the head, dropping Milton. Then a right hand sent Randy crashing through the ropes. Turner, pounced on his opponent again and another right followed by a left hook dropped Milton for the third time in the third round. Randy was down for keeps. Though Turner scored with head blows in flooring Milton, John credited the body blows which softened his opponent up, making the job easier. For Turner, who is managed by Vern DePaul, it was his eleventh straight knockout, and made him 30-2-1 overall. With this win he atoned for the lone draw on his record.

In the eight-round semi-final, Marty Capasso, 202, Aston, Pa., decisioned Johnny Warr, 196, New York City. Marty was the aggressor against the crafty Warr, who was either moving or covering with an occasional flurry. Capasso, twenty-two years old and a College graduate, upped his record to 6-0.

In a scheduled six-rounder, Steve Arvin, 162, Binghamton, N.Y., scored a TKO at fifty-two seconds of the fifth round over Daniel Tavares, 162, Hartford, Conn. The bout had some good exchanges and proved exciting. Arvin got to Tavares early in the fifth and was battering him against the ropes when the bout was halted.

In a good four-rounder, Kenny Carpenter, 127, Upper DARBY, Pa., and Pedro Lerron, 128, Kennett Square, Pa., went at it from bell to bell for a draw verdict. Attendance for the All-Star Boxing promotion, Paul Ruddy matchmaker, was 1,162, who paid $5,791. Amateur Bouts went on prior to the professionals.

OHIO JABS

By THOMAS JACOBS

▲CLEVELAND–Ed Sweeney's Soctron boxing returned to Cleveland in impressive fashion as 2,265 fight fans crowded into the Masonic Auditorium. The crowd size was even more remarkable in light of the fact that two of the fighters scheduled for the main events had to withdraw. Both "Tap" Harris and Murray Sutherland were felled by a virus.

Three ten-rounders topped the evening's entertainment.

"Casey" Gacic, 160¾, Cleveland Ohio, a close friend of both "Tap" Harris and promoter Ed Sweeney, made his first Cleveland appearance in three years as Harris' substitute. "Casey" is still a great Cleveland favorite. His opponent, Charles Carey, 164, Norfolk, Virginia, was pretty much an unknown quantity. First round action showed that Gacic has not changed–he still gives 110% every time he steps into the ring. Although smaller and lighter, the Cleveland fighter began to muscle Carey at the outset of the second round and had the Virginian bleeding from the mouth at the end of the third round. Whatever the reason, Carey changed strategy in round four. He moved out of Gacic's range and began to counterpunch–and score points. In the seventh round, Gacic stormed out of his corner. Carey, retreating, whipped out a right that visibly shook the Clevelander. That was the turning point of the fight. Gacic collected himself–and rallied, sending Carey to his corner at the end of the round obviously hurt. For the most part, that was all she wrote. Gacic easily won the decision.

The second of the three "main events" pitted promising Lloyd Allen, 127, Cleveland, against Alberto Collazo, 128½, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. The fight began in typical Collazo fashion with Alberto carefully sizing up his opponent. Allen, on the other hand, wasted no time in employing his strategy for the fight–a reliance on speed and quickness. By the third round, Collazo began to build his lead. While Allen was clearly the faster fighter and was throwing more punches, it was Collazo who was doing the scoring. The speed that Lloyd Allen had counted on was being neutralized by the man from Pennsylvania, who was cutting off Allen's escape routes in the small ring. That was the story of the first five rounds. In the sixth round, Lloyd Allen brought his speed to bear. Collazo, the aggressor throughout, found himself being met by a slashing, moving opponent. The counterpunching Allen clearly took that round and the next two–and Collazo clearly took notice. The rest of the fight belonged to Alberto as he again effectively cut off Allen's escape routes, minimizing Allen's ability to counter with any degree of safety. The verdict: a ten-round decision for Alberto Collazo.

What proved to be the closest contest of the three ten-rounders had the veteran Bill "Dynamite" Douglas, 181, Columbus, Ohio, facing Charlie Smith, 180¾, Norfolk, Virginia. This was a classic case of the veteran meeting the up-and-coming youngster: Douglas, the workmanlike veteran–Smith, tall, looking ill at ease, even uncoordinated at times. Still, it was Smith who drew first blood when a right hook opened a small cut over the left eye of Douglas in the second round. In the third round, Douglas' ring wisdom was made evident–a series of hard rights hurt the younger fighter. Without losing composure, without hurrying to finish his man, without opening himself up, Douglas fired a barrage of rights that weakened the younger fighter. It was Douglas' best round of the fight. Smith was hardly finished, however. In round six he came back brilliantly, punching hard and effectively with well-timed and well-placed combinations. Smith continued to press the attack in round seven and, again, carried the fight to Douglas. There were those in attendance who thought that time was about to catch up to the veteran. Douglas began to show signs of wear and tear in the seventh round, and Smith began to put on a fine boxing show. However, the veteran had enough left to withstand the younger fighter's onslaught and had built up a big enough lead early enough to earn a ten-round decision. It was Douglas' thirty-fourth victory.

A young southpaw was introduced to Cleveland fight fans this night. Manning Galloway, 141½, Columbus, Ohio, was most impressive as he captured a six-round decision over Genie Ellington, 144¼, Cleveland, Ohio. Galloway's boyish charm immediately captured the hearts of the fans, and his performance in the ring cemented their affection. From the beginning Galloway was a blur; he was constantly moving. First, he would work clockwise, then counter-clockwise; then he would advance; then he would wait for Ellington and counterpunch. Through it all, Ellington became more confused and more frustrated as he was completely outclassed.

Joey Mayes, 127, Cleveland, Ohio, was awarded a six-round decision over Ray Green, 136½, Akron, Ohio, in another contest that went the distance.

Fans had their share of kayoes, too, over the nine bout card. Tony Curovic, 168, Cleveland, was awarded a TKO when Tim Johnson, 176¾, Columbus, Ohio, could not answer the bell for the fourth round. Mike McIntire, 198, Pittsburgh, won on a TKO at 2:16 of the third round over Danny Brule, 192¼, Kitchener, Ontario, Canada. Al Hauser, 146¾, Pittsburgh, destroyed Philip Beaty, 147, Cleveland, in 1:44 of round one. A fellow Pittsburgher, Tom Kisling, 159q, methodically eliminated Charles Cross, 158¼, Cleveland. It took 2:42 of the first round to accomplish.

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VETERAN BOXERS' BEAT

By Harry Warren

Have received a great sports paper from England titled "AFRO SPORT." Managing Editor is knowledgeable BOBBY NAIDDO. The paper is sold in all countries in the world and is devoted entirely to reports, stories, pictures, and results of Black men and women in the world of sports. Boxing is competantly covered with features on the former great black fighters as well as the black fighters of today. For information on subscription write to PDI Publication, 27 St. John's Square, London EC.1. England. It's a paper for every black sportsman or sportswoman. . . . While on the subject of publications, why not send away for "Sport and Showbiz," a great paper. Several pages are devoted to the world boxing scene, with many fine features on the veteran boxer. Former editor of the British Boxing News is TIM RILEY, who does a great job with the boxing section of Sport and Showbiz. Contact: 21 Beak Street, London, W.1. England. My column also appears in this fine publication. . . .

Former heavyweight contender CLARENCE HENRY and myself had a good chat together at the Induction ceremony of the International Shrine for Boxing and Wrestling former greats which was held on the RMS Queen Mary, at Long Beach, California.CLARENCE is in very good health and is an active member of the Cauliflower Alley Club. We discussed his career and touched on his exhibition with the great JOE-LOUIS. We were at the Induction of FIDEL La BARBA, the former world flyweight champion, and the 1924 national amateur flyweight champion, who won the world Olympic flyweight title at Paris, France and the American flyweight crown from FRANKIE GENARO in 1925. In 1927, he beat ELKY CLARK for the world flyweight crown in New York City. He had two outstanding fights with JIMMY McLARNIN at the old Vernan Arena. To be inducted at the testimonial dinner was MARIA BERNARDI, who was a former women's world lightweight wrestling champion and who teamed up with KATHY STARR to win the United States women's tag-team as well as the mixed tag-team title with Bill SACKET as her partner. Currently, MARIA is the recording secretary of the Cauliflower Alley Club with headquarters at the Golden State Hotel, 2900 N. San Fernando Blvd, Burbank, California. Telephone-213-845-8501. As a pioneer in the world of women's wrestling, Maria certainly has the credentials to earn a berth in the Hall of Fame. CLARENCE HENRY may be contacted at 603 West 42nd Place, Los Angeles, California 90037. He is very much involved with the boxing programs of the Police Athletic League in Los Angeles. . . .My old friend, BARON VON STUMME, celebrated his ninetieth birthday with his wife JOHANNA, eighty. The BARON and your writer became very friendly when I was boxing in the California area and trained at the Main Street gym in Los Angeles during the early 50's. He has been an outstanding manager of boxers and although failing eyesight has proved a problem to him, he is still connected with the sport. Send a card to 4209 Cahuenga, North Hollywood, California 91602. . . .A couple of months ago, I was at a banquet in Los Angeles, California and met up with that fistic gladiator, YOUNG ABE ATTELL. At eighty-six, he looked extremely well and very alert. He reminisced about his fighting days. He had plenty of them—280 contests. He related how, at the age of thirteen, he fought a twenty-round bout against EDDIE CHAVEZ at Trinidad, Colorado and, two weeks later, fought him again at Dallas, Texas. He won both contests. He recalled the fabulous reception he received when he fought at Sydney, Australia against the Australian 140-pound champion, HERB McCOY. Not only did ABE win the fight, but the plaudits of the boxing writers. Young ABE ATTELL may be reached by writing to him % The Cauliflower Alley Club. . . . The death of JACK DOYLE was quite a surprise to Veterans here in the States. The former heavyweight champion of Britain, who was an exciting boxer when in shape, but who often was described by boxing writers as "easily secumbed to the wiles of pretty females." The death of former light heavyweight contender YOLANDE POMPEY was also reported from England. Further information would, I am sure, be had on request from JACK POWELL, the secretary of the London Ex-Boxer Association, 36 St. Peter's St., London N1 8JT England. . . Former leading welterweight in Britain in the 1930s is my old pal and correspondent, JIM PETTENGELL. After retirement as an active boxer, he became a trainer and developed many champions. He was also councellor to many of the amateur organizations and clubs he became involved with over the years. Back in the 1940s, it was JIM who offered me the facility of the Earlsfield Boxing Club, where he was the trainer. We became very friendly with a fine middleweight named DON COCKELL, who trained at the club. As we all know, DON went on to win the heavyweight professional title of Great Britain and fight the great ROCKY MARCIANO for the world title. JIM, who had about 160 bouts during his career, had a great knack, that of being able to impart knowledge to his students, and his services as a trainer have been requested by foreign countries. The Norwegian B.A. asked JIM to train their national team and prepare them for the Olympic Games. JIM, however, was unable to accept this gracious honor. In addition to DON COCKELL, many other gladiators who attained championship status were the recipients of JIM's expertise, like the famed O'SULLIVAN brothers, DANNY, DICKIE, and MICKY, my old pals ALBERT FINCH and MARK HART, two of the most accomplished boxers in Europe during their career, and TOMMY McGOVERN, who I befriended in the military when I was champion of the army in Italy and Greece. TOMMY was the lightweight champion of the Royal Air Force. He had a spectacular career as a pro and became the champion of Great Britain. "How is your old services pal and ex-boxer FREDDIE FRIEND—TOMMY?" I't'd be interesting to know. JIM PETTENGELL keeps me supplied with interesting items about the British boxing scene, and, being an active member of many ex-boxer associations, notably the London Ex-Boxer Association, your columnist is kept up-to-date. JIM's wife, VALERIE, is an ardent boxing supporter and both live at 34 Hamilton Road, South Oxhey, Watford, Herts, England. WD.1 6BS. . . . 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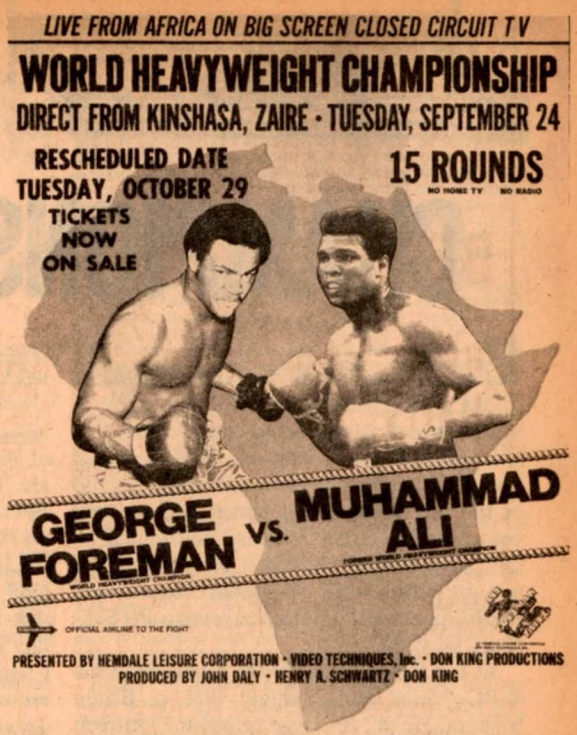

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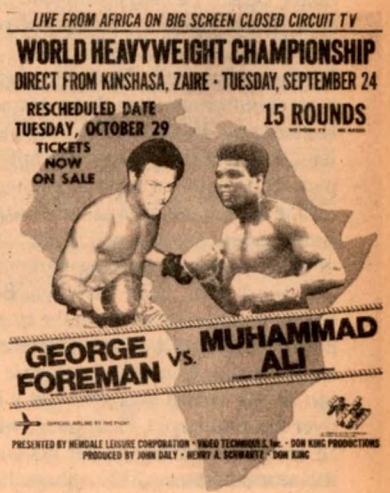

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By JACK A. TREE

CHAMPIONS BUSY IN EUROPE

Berlin–If you love boxing and are prepared to live from a suitcase, then the first week in March was a dream come true. In the first seven days of the month, one WBC and four European champions made defenses. Several of the title bouts ended under confused and controversial circumstances, unfortunately, but, nevertheless, there was plenty of action and the WBC world champion, Mattioli, and two European champions, Traversaro and Sanchez, were dethroned.

At San Remo, Italy, Rocky Mattioli lost his WBC junior middleweight title to Briton Maurice Hope. At Liege, Belgium, Alfredo Evangelista, European heavy champion, kayoed Frenchman Lucien Rodriguez. At Almeria, Spain, bantam champion Juan Francisco Rodriguez, Spain, decisioned Briton Johnny Owen. At Malaga, Spain, junior welter king Fernando Sanchez, Spain, lost his title to fellow countryman Jose Luis Heredia, and at Rotterdam, Holland, Aldo Traversaro the Italian European light heavy champion, was toppled by Dutchman Rudi Koopmans.

The referee's action in the Evangelista-Rodriguez bout caused a near riot, with hundreds of the patrons demanding their money back. The third man, Jean Deswert, Belgium, required a police escort from the ring and champion Evangelista was struck on the head by an angry patron. Cause of the trouble in the opinion of the crowd was Deswert's hasty count over the challenger, Rodriguez, who appeared fit enough to continue after his knockdown in the second frame. Although on his feet, Deswert counted him out. Evangelista took a mandatory count of eight in the opening heat from a left hook that landed on the jaw.

Britain's Maurice Hope became the new WBC junior middleweight champion, dethroning Rocky Mattioli, and one would have thought the Britons would have been full of praise for a guy who had waited almost two years for the crown. Most were, but the back benchers are already rocking Maurice Hope's stool, saying his Italian opponent was dreadfully unlucky to lose the use of his right hand when he was decked in the first round. If he hadn't, he would have held on to his crown, they say. Mattioli might well have won, but he did not slip on a banana skin in the opening heat when he took a count of eight; he was decked by a smart left hook.

Briton Johnny Owen (22) "lost" to Juan Francisco Rodriguez. It will be a long time before another Briton travels to Spain, even if a European title is in the offering. Johnny Owen comes from the same Welsh valley as world flyweight champion, Jimmy Wilde. Owen, who, according to future record books, lost on points to Rodriguez, had his first taste of defeat in eighteen professional bouts. He also had a successful amateur career, winning 104 of his 124 starts. Owen represented Wales on sixteen occasions, and was never beaten.

Light heavyweight Rudi Koopmans, Holland, should have ruled Europe a year ago. He did, in fact, but, within a few hours, the verdict was changed and the points were shared. Champion Traversaro, Italy, held on to his crown. Promoter Henk Ruhling finally enticed Traversaro to visit Rotterdam a second time and Rudi made certain this time that no official's arithmetic was put to test. He forced the champion to retire at the end of round six. Traversaro's left eye was cut and when the bell sounded for the seventh, he remained in his corner. In the first match, an official's scorecard was rechecked, and it was found that his arithmetic was not as good as it should have been. He had, in fact, scored for the champion.

Jose Luis Heredia, Spain, got off the floor on two occasions to outscore champion and fellow countryman Fernando Sanchez.

French manager Jean Traxel recently made his debut as promoter with a show at the Cirque d'Hiver. Pity his boxer, Sylvan Watbled, did not celebrate the occasion with an impressive win over Victor Attivor, from Ghana. Traxel must have been disappointed, as Watbled, as winner, left the ring greeted by jeers while Attivor, the loser, received a tremendous ovation. Attivor, having had the best of the exchanges in rounds four to seven, certainly appeared to be in front, although he took a count of eight resting on his knees at one time. My colleague in Paris, Paul Kennett, told me Watbled's guard was non-existant. He drops his left hand frequently below his waist and he is making no progress. Beaten by Bunny Johnson, Watbled then turned in a stinker against Mintus and now there is this disputed verdict against Attivor. Looks as if he has hit a bad patch or is on the slide.

Welterweight Ronald Zenon, of France, continues to make good progress, but his job of work was not an easy task against Antonine Oke, who he finally stopped in the sixth. He requires experience and his manager, Henri Leyoannou, is bringing him along steadily with hand picked opponents. The end came quickly and brutally in the typically ice cold style of Zenon. Oke had taken an eight-count, and the third man stopped the fight as Oke staggered against the ropes. At Criel, ex-welterweight champion of Europe Alain Marion, France, met his waterloo when he faced veteran Costa Azevedo from Argentine. The towel was thrown in during round nine to save the Frenchman from further unnecessary punishment. It was Marion's first defeat at Criel in a thirty-bout career, with two draws and two bouts going against him. Dane Jorgen Hansen, who took his European title, was the only other fighter to beat him. Sensible Marion has retired on the strength of this defeat and he said in parting, "I am not going to box anymore. It's too hard work for me and I have already made enormous sacrifices for the sport." Marion is only twenty-four, but old enough to know when to call it a day.

AUSTRIA

▲**Vienna**–Welterweight Esperno Postl outpointed Boro Jovic, six. Herbert Troutmuth TKO'd Zdravko Jovicic, one. Middleweights: Nazif Biberovic kayoed Drago Umicevic, two.

SPAIN

▲**Zaragoza**–Junior welters: Perico Fernandez outscored Tony Martey, eight. Terry O'Connor decisioned Benito Escrihe, eight.

▲**Barcelona**–Welterweights: Dum Dum Pacheco kayoed Johnny Disla, three. Jun Welters: Jesus Rodriguez de la Rosa outscored Jose Luis Fernandez, eight. Middles: Andoni Amana outpointed Angel Ortiz, eight. Lightweights: Francisco Leon decisioned Manuel Alcala Cruz, eight.

▲**Santander**–Nani Rodriguez lost his Spanish featherweight title to ex-WBA champion Cecilio Lastra. Rodriguez retired in round five.

▲**Malaga**–Jose Luis Heredia won the European junior welterweight title, outpointing champion Fernando Sanchez over twelve rounds. Spanish junior middle champion Andoni Amana stopped Antonio Perez in one round. Rodolfo Sanchez decisioned Domingo Gimenez, eight.

BELGIUM

▲**St. Servais**–Middleweights: Alfredo Naveiras decisioned John Powell, ten. Feathers: Jose Garcia TKO'd Michel Lirola, five. Featherweight Angelo Licata drew his six-rounder with lightweight Andre Blanco.

▲**Braine 'le Chateau**–Junior middleweights: Leandre Luiguiry outscored Mohamed Bouziani, six.

▲**Zele**–Richard Rodriguez outscored Frankie Decaestecker, eight. Light heavyweights: Roberto Bosio drew a six-rounder with Nedjad Memeti. Esad Memeti kayoed Salim Boutera, three. Junior welters: Ameur Abdel decisioned Eric Caposella, eight.

▲**Zele**–Welterweights: Clemente Tshinza, Zaire, based in Luxembourg, outscored a brave Briton, Billy Waith, over eight rounds. Waith boxed well, but, for some reason, went to pieces in the final three rounds. Dave Williams TKO'd Andre Blanco, four. Junior Welterweights: Jean Vantorre stopped Briton Barry Rice, four.

FRANCE

▲**Perigueux**–Middleweights: Gerard Nosley outscored Joel Bonnetaz, twelve.

▲**Conde sur Escaut**–Didier Kowalski won the vacant French lightweight title, halting Arthur Fogeiro, three.

▲**Criel**–Bantamweights: Jean Jacques Souris TKO'd Nessim Zebellini, two. Welters: Jean Claude Mabillard decisioned Kibassu Maliba, six.

▲**Toulon**–Welterweights: Alain Ruocco kayoed Antonio Torsello, ten.

▲**Marseille**–Junion welterweights: Robert Coambini TKO's Francisco Gallo, two.

▲**Laval**–Welterweights: Serge Poulain halted Jean Paul Coppyn, four.

▲**Criel**–Welterweights: Richard Rodriguez beat Alain Ruocco on points, eight. Welters: Ronald Zenon kayoed Osvaldo Lopez, five. Welters: Patrick Babouram outpointed Jean Michel Iger, six.

▲**Tarbes**–Welterweights: Gilles Elbilia beat Angel Carmonia on points, eight.

▲**Hayange**–Junior middleweights: Luigi Minchillo kayoed Michel Chapier, five.

▲**Wallers**–Heavyweights: Maurice Trepant knocked out Michel Maillard, four.

▲**Arques**–Welterweights: Jean Marie Touati beat Lucien Campo on points, six.

▲**Toulouse**–Welters: Djibril Bathily drew his six-rounder with Bernard Dylbaitys.

▲**Aix le Chateau**–Lightweights: Gilbert Helluin outpointed Roland Cazeaux, eight.

▲**Paris**–Heavyweights: Sylvain Watbled beat Victor Attivor on points over ten rounds. Welters: Ronald Zenon TKO'd Antoine Oke, six. Welterweights: Claude Lancastre, from Saint Maur, beat fellow countryman Maurice Renaud, the third man calling a halt in round three. Lancastre dominated the fight in every field, punching power, speed, and skill.

▲**Calais**–Junior lightweights: Mohammed Boundha TKO'd Francis Baillenl, seven. Light heavyweights: Michel Pagani stopped Jose Lozano, three.

▲**Laval**–Junior welterweights: Patrick Babouram beat Serge Poulain on points over eight rounds.

▲**Mangerge**–Light heavyweight champion Hocine Tafer retained his crown, halting Michel Dylbaitys, eleven. Tafer won every round except the sixth. An uppercut to the jaw decked Dylbaitys for a count of eight in round eleven and his corner man threw in the towel. Tafer was handicapped by a fractured bone in his left hand and a damaged right thumb. He is undefeated in nineteen bouts.

▲**Criel**–Ex-European welterweight champion Alain Marion, of France, came unstuck against veteran Costa Azevedo, Argentina, the towel being thrown in to save him in round nine.

▲**Dunkirk**–Jo Kimpuani beat Oscar Aparicio, the towel being thrown in during round two to halt a one-sided affair. Dan M'Putu beat Italian Agate on points and Fred Coranson decisioned Italian Italo Ventur.

FINLAND

▲**Oslo**–Josef Nsubuga beat American Johnny Cooper, who retired at the end of round three after being decked on two occasions. Light heavyweights: Harold Skog, Norway, beat Briton Errol McKenzie a second time, winning this eight-rounder on points. The bout was close and McKenzie improved on his first encounter with Skog in 1978. Heavyweights: Thomas Blidh, Sweden, making his professional debut, beat American Terry Chard, in three rounds. The referee called a halt after Chard had been floored. John Muwanga outscored Louis Resto, Puerto Rico, over eight rounds. Carlos Marks shared his eight-rounder with Uruguayan Wilson Perez, who is based in Sweden.

HOLLAND

▲**Rotterdam**–Aldo Traversaro, Italy, lost his European light heavyweight title to Dutchman Rudi Koopmans on a TKO in seven. Middleweights: Bob Mays, of Great Britain, kayoed Van der Driesse, Holland, four. Junior welterweights: Fighting Jim, Curacao, TKO'd Zip Castillo, Mexico, four. Turk Yildirim, based in Berlin, knocked out Tiger Quaye, Ghana, two. Alex Blanchard, Holland, halted German Rainer Gutekunst, five.

BELGIUM

▲**Liege**–Former junior middleweight champion of Europe, deaf mute Jose Hernandez, Spain, beat Greek Jean Simos in four rounds.

YUGOSLAVIA

▲**Zagreb**–European junior middleweight champion Gilbert Coh France, lost his crown, being kayoed in four rounds by the German based Yugoslavian, Marijan Benes.

AFRICAN ACTION

By ANGUS ANITCHE

LAGOS, NIGERIA–National Stadium Main Bowl–Obisia Nwakpa, 25 (63.45kgs), who holds the Nigerian National and the West African super lightweight titles and Jeff "Flash" Malcolm 22 (63.45kgs), of Australia, boss of the super lightweight division throughout the Commonwealth, exhibited their ringcraft at the main bowl of the ultra modern National Stadium in Lagos, Nigeria, Malcolm defended his commonwealth super lightweight crown.

Malcolm, who was making his first ever boxing expedition outside Australia unanimously lost his title on points to Nwakpa after fifteen thrilling rounds.

The Togolese referee, Mr. Simon de Fanti who was the sole judge, gave thirteen rounds to the challenger and scored the remaining two rounds even, totalling the scores at 150-139 in favour of the challenger.

The first round was uneventful, as the two combatants merely sized the weight and style of the other, but, from the second round onwards, the spectators were not in doubt as to where the wind of victory was blowing. Malcolm, in a bid not to disgrace the swarm of Australian fans, who flew in that morning all the way from Australia to cheer their idol, put up a courageous attack during the last two rounds. But even my aged mother can attest that Malcolm had lost his title.

At the end of the fifteenth round, Jeff, to the astonishment of everyone, including his manager/trainer, Steve Knoz, decided to announce the result of the fight himself by raising the right hand of the challenger in victory. He later took the microphone to confirm that he had lost to a fitter and better boxer but with a public appeal to the Commonwealth Boxing authorities that he be given the first chance to challenge the new champion, this time in Australia, where he hoped to recapture the crown.

Malcolm, naturally, was not happy that he had lost his crown, but he was happy that he lost to a better fighter and happier that he was leaving Nigeria with the fattest purse in his professional boxing career.

LAGOS, NIGERIA–Sports Hall, National Stadium–Nigeria's hopes for a third African Boxing Union title were shattered recently when ageless Abraham "assassin" Tonica retired at the commencement of the thirteenth round of the scheduled fifteen rounds A.B.U. title fight with the Paris based Malian, Bakayovo Sounkalo, who has monopolised the African light heavy weight crown for seven years running.

Local idol Tonica who had promised to capture the title was visibly ahead on points at the end of the twelfth before the fateful episode. When the timekeeper signalled the commencement of the thirteenth round, TONICA was seen, miraculously, kneeling motionless at the neutral corner of the ring while the defending champion kept trotting and shadow boxing waiting for his challenger to come up. The referee had no option but to formally count him out and declare Bakayovo the winner.

LAGOS, NIGERIA–National Stadium–Nigeria's Eddie Ndukwu, currently the African and Commonwealth featherweight champion, outpointed the African lightweight champion, Togolese "Slayer" Bossou Azizan over ten rounds in an international catchweight contest. Azizan, who had never lost in his previous twenty-eight professional fights, had earlier been faced with harrasment by his country's immigration authorities over his travel documents. He suffered his first defeat of his career despite a 4.275 Kilos weight advantage.

LAGOS, NIGERIA–Sports Hall–Nigeria's hope for the world heavyweight crown, Ngozika Ekwelum (97.3kg), currently based in West Germany, was crowned the boss of heavyweights in Nigeria when he knocked out air force strong man Eddie Cooper (87.73kg), in the third round of their scheduled fifteen-round title clash.

LAGOS, NIGERIA–Sports Hall–Army Strongman Law Knuckle (59.4kg), kayoed his co-contender, Ganiyu Adebisi (60.9kg), in the third round of their scheduled fifteen round title fight for the national lightweight crown vacated by Hogan "Atomic Bomb" Jinoh when he snatched the Commonwelath title from Lennox Blackmore of Guyana.

LAGOS, NIGERIA–Sports Hall–Smokin' Joe, of Bendel State, making his professional debut, lost on points to Edward Adisa, the Kwara State champion, in their six-round inter state non-title featherweight contest.

LAGOS, NIGERIA–Sports Hall–Schoolboy Hunter Clay from Lagos State, Kayoed Boyoyo Eze of Imo State in the third round of their eight-round non-title welterweight encounter.

LAGOS, NIGERIA–Sports Hall–Flash Agubo outpointed the one time national middleweight champion of Nigeria, Siki Panther, over six rounds.

LAGOS, NIGERIA–Sports Hall–Stainless George Murphy Kayoed former the national super welterweight champion of Nigeria, Joe Garuba, in the fourth round of their scheduled eight-round bout.

EUROPEAN RATINGS

Heavyweights
(Spain) Champion: Alfredo Evengelista
1. John L. Gardner (GB)
2. Alfio Righetti (I)
3. Lucien Rodriguez (F)
4. Les Stevens (GB)
5. Christian Poncelet (F)
6. Felipe Rodrigeuz (S)
7. Al Syben (B)
8. Paul Sykes (GB)
Tony Moore (GB)
Denton Ruddock (GB)

Light Heavyweights
Champion: Rudi Koopmans (H)
1. Mate Parlov (Y)
2. John Conteh (GB)
3. Aldo Traversaro (I)
4. Hocine Tafer (F)
5. Avenamar Peralta (S)
6. David Conteh (GB)
7. Bunny Johnson (GB)
8. Emilio Cometti (I)
9. Sylvain Watbled (F)
10. Robert Amory (F)

Middleweights
Champion: Alan Minter (GB)
1. Vito Antuofermo (I)
2. Gratien Tonna (F)
3. Kevin Finnegan (GB)
4. Frank Lucas (GB)
5. Bunny Sterling (GB)
6. Matteo Salvemini (I)
7. Alfredo Natieras (B)
8. Tony Sibson (GB)
9. George Steinherr (G)
Michel Stini (B)

Junior Middleweights
Champion: Marijan Benes (Y)
1. Maurice Hope (GB)
2. Gilbert Cohen (F)
3. Adoni Amana (S)
4. Jimmy Batten (S)
5. Frank Wissenbach (G)
6. Claude Martin (F)
7. Damiano Lassandro (I)
8. Luigi Minchillo (I)
9. Adrie Huusen (H)
10. Dave Proud

Welterweights
Champion: Dave Green (GB)
1. Henry Rhiney (GB)
2. John H. Stracey (GB)
3. Bruno Arcari (I)
4. Jorgen Hansen (GB)
5. Alain Marion (F)
6. Josef Pachler (A)
7. Hans Hendrick Palm (D)
8. Dum Dum Pacheo (S)
9. Alois Carmeliet (B)
Louis Arcaries (F)

Junion Welterweights
Champion: Jose Luis Heredia (S)
Fernando Sanchez (S)
2. Colin Powers (GB)
3. Guiseppe Martinese (I)
4. Clinton McKenzie (GB)
5. Cemal Kamaci (T)
6. Claude Lormeau (F)
7. Svein Erik Paulsen (N)
8. Des Morrison (GB)
9. Giovanni Carrino (I)
10. Des Morrison (GB)

Lightweights
Champion: Jim Watt (GB)
1. Giancarlo Usai (I)
2. Charlie Nash (GB)
3. Vincenzo Quero (I)
4. Antonio Puddu (I)
5. Andre Holyk (F)
6. Rosario Sanna (I)
7. Johnny Claydon (GB)
8. Antonio Guinaldo (S)
9. Manuel Valesquez (S)
10. Angola Provenzano (I)

Junior Lightweights
Champion: Carlos Hernandez (S)
1. Natale Vezzoli (I)
2. Isidoro Cabeza (S)
3. Ramon Marichal (S)
4. Elio Cotena (I)
5. Aristide Pizzo (I)
6. Rodolfo Sanchez (S)
7. Salvatore Liscapade (I)
8. Maurice Apeang (F)
9. Nino Jimenez (S)
10. Georges Cotin (F)

Featherweights
Champion: Roberto Castanon (S)
1. Cecilio Lastra (S)
2. Dave Needham (GB)
3. Manuel Masso (S)
4. Salvatore Malluzzo (I)
5. Les Pickett (GB)
6. Nani Rodriguez (S)
7. Gerard Jacob (F)
8. Jimmy Flint (GB)
9. Michel Lefbvre (F)
10. Albert Amatler (F)

Bantamweights
Champion: Juan Francisco Rodriguez (S)
1. Franco Zurlo (I)
2. Esteban Aguia (S)
3. Alfredo Mulas (I)
4. Johnny Owen (GB)
5. Laurent Grimbert (F)
6. Guy Caudron (F)
7. Vincente Rodriguez (S)
8. Luigi Tessarin (F)
9. Guiseppe Fossati (I)
Dave Smith (GB)

Flyweights
Champion: Franco Udella (I)
1. Charlie Magri (GB)
2. Giovanni Camputaro (I)
3. Emilio Pireddu (I)
4. Mariano Garcia (S)
5. Manuel Carrasco (S)
6. Franco Buglione (I)
7. Claude Tanda (I)
8. Sabatino De Filippo (I)
9. Filipo Belvedere (I)
10. Christian Martin (F)

Legend: (B) Belgium; (D) Denmark; (F) Finland (G) Germany; (GB) Great Britain; (H) Holland; (I) Italy; (L) Luxembourg; (N) Norway; (S) Spain; (Sd) Switzerland; (Sw) Sweden; (Y) Yugoslavia.

SOUTH AFRICAN RING NEWS

By ED CLARK

BULAWAYO, SALISBURY, RHODESIA–Peet Bothma exposed the limitations of highly touted Langton "Schoolboy" Tinago at the Large City Hall and scored a TKO in the sixth round of a junior welterweight bout. Tinago was a one-handed fighter, using his left hand, and Bothman was able to handle him with ease. The end came when Bothma launched a two-fisted attack, sending Tinago to the canvas then the towel was thrown in.

Kosie Smith, former S. African light heavyweight champion, finally came to the end of his career when he was soundly beaten by Ringo Starr on points over eight rounds. Smith's left eye was cut in the first, and, by the fourth, it was closed. Starr outboxed the wild swinging Smith to gain an undisputed win.

Jay Nardo TKO'd Wally van der Haar, six, featherweights; Nelson Bosso and Henry Usher ended even, six, junior middles; Ofios Springkiller decisioned Professor Chris, six.

CAPE TOWN–Bashew Sibaca scored a narrow points decision over Italian Salvatore Melluzzo over ten rounds at the Good Hope Centre in the featherweight division. Sibaca was made to struggle all the way as the Italian kept close to him, never allowing Sibaca a chance to settle down. The first two rounds were even with Melluzzo taking the third. Then Sibaca forged ahead. A bad cut above Melluzzo's right eye in the fifth caused the doctor to be called in twice. Melluzzo's corner claimed it was a butt and wanted to pull their man out at the end of the sixth. warned twice for butting in the seventh.) Melluzzo was still fighting strongly, but Sibaca's crisper blows gained him the decision.

Sipho Mange won the South African junior featherweight title by easily outpointing Alex Venter over twelve rounds. Venter's effort only came in the last three rounds. In the ninth he made Mange's knees buckle with a left and right combination but was slow to follow up. Venter's right eye was cut in the third.

Tsietsie Maretloane used a short right to the stomach, then a fusillade of blows to stop Bowell Zono in the fifth in a junior lightweight bout.

Bramley Whiteboy TKO'd Hardy Mileham, five, junior welters; Oupa Williams outscored Kevin McKay, four, junior lightweights.

JOHANNESBURG–Big Jimmy Abbott kayoed West Indian Terry Mintus, from England, in the fourth round of a heavyweight bout held in the Portuguese Hall before a meagre crowd of five hundred. Mintus was heavily outweighed by "Jumbo" Abbott, who showed no defense at all, leaned on his man, and then hit Mintus with a left hook that ended the fight. Abbott missed badly throughout the bout and Mintus, by clever boxing, was ahead at the end but showing signs of fading. Mintus' left jabs lacked power even though they scored points. Abbott has very fast arms and landed frequently but was crude. Mintus picked his blows but was at a disadvantage, as Abbott swung him about in the clinches.

Maxwell Malinga outscored Morgan Moledi, six, middleweights; Louis Hendricks TKO'd Joe Swazi, two, heavyweights; Norman Bromfield TKO'd Vuyisile Ntunzi, two, junior lightweights; Norman Hlalele outscored Charlie McGreer, four, flyweights; Fanie van Staden outpointed Wally Bubb, four, welters; Ray Mashifane TKO'd Joseph (Skoe) Matthyssen, four, middleweights.

SPRINGS–David "Baby Lux" Kambule continued to rise up the fistic ladder as he scored an impressive ten-round points victory over Morris Mohloai in a welterweight bout at the Kwa Thema Civic Centre. Kambule carried the fight to Mohloai, causing the latter to be on the defense for most of the fight. Kambule's left jabs to the head seldom missed and a straight right follow up that carried power. Mohloai was more experienced and changed tactics in the seventh, catching Kambule off guard with a combo to the jaw. Kambule was on rubbery legs when the bell rescued him. Kambule was fully recovered in the eighth and a short right to the chin put Mohloai on the canvas. Kambule, however, was overly keen to put his rival away and Mohloai saw the round out. Mohloai used spoiling tactics in the ninth but in the final stanza was full of fight, but Kambule outboxed him to take the decision.

Joseph Lala decisioned David Kgotsane, six, welters; Thomas Sithebe outpointed Joseph Tsotetsi, six, junior lightweights; Lemwell Nkumane and Patrick Tshabalala drew, six, junior middles; Shadrack Mogopodi iced Edward Twayi, three, bantams.

Andries Steyn, South African lightweight champion, has hung up his gloves. In an impressive career, he fought four world champions, beating Arnold Taylor, Kuniaki Shibata, and Ricardo Arrendondo. Ken Buchanan stopped Steyn in three rounds in Johannesburg in April, 1972.

CHIAVERINI KAYOES ROSS

By BEN GREENE

KANSAS CITY, MO.–Municipal Auditorium–Tony Chiaverini knocked out Edgar (Mad Dog) Ross in the tenth round of a scheduled twelve-round bout for the North American Boxing Federation super welterweight crown. The title, however, has been declared vacant.

Chiaverini clearly outboxed Mad Dog in the early going. Ross made his move at the half-way mark, when he attacked furiously with both fists at Chiaverini's face. Tony, an agtgressive counterpuncher, didn't panic. He caught a few, then opened up and stopped Ross in his tracks with a barrage of heavy blows to head and body. How Ross managed to stay on his feet, no one will ever know.

Chiaverini decked Ross in the ninth with a wicked left-hook to the body followed by a whistling right to the whiskers. Edgar made it to his feet at the count of five, ready for "Journey's End." Tony moved to finish him off, but the bell came to his rescue.

In the tenth round, Chiaverini moved in boldly. He feinted Ross a few times and tossed a couple of feelers. Ross was coming at him. Tony measured him carefully, then finished him with a power-laden left hook. Referee Lew Eskin tolled the fatal ten.

It was Chiaverini's twenth-seventh triumph against three losses and one draw. He's scored eighteen knockouts. Tony is only twenty-six, in his fifth year as a pro. He's a college grad with a B.A. in physical education from Washburn University and had a 53–5 record as an amateur.

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MINNESOTA AREA NEWS

By GEORGE D. BLAIR

ST. PAUL, MINN.–Promoter John Connolly's third club show at Kelly's Pub saw St. Paul's best prospect in years: Pete Holm in his first main event. Holm was at his fistic best as he completely outclassed John Cline of Kalamazoo, Mich., to win an easy unanimous eight-round decision in a heavyweight bout.

In raising his record to 5-1-0, Holm also displayed his punching prowess when a right to the jaw put Cline on the seat of his trunks, and from then on he outboxed Cline easily. Even though there was absolutely no advance publicity on the show, a crowd of around two hundred showed up.

With Pete Holm as a solid headliner, he and promoter Connolly can both make money with the club show, but the promoter has to let the fans know that a card is taking place. Pete Susens is now the matchmaker for the club, and he is a solid one who can turn things around if given the chance.

Wayne Caplette of Winnipeg (6-0-0) knocked out James Hearns of Omaha (4-5-0) in the fifth round of a jr. middleweight match that had the fans on their feet with the spirited action of both fighters.

Steve Drueger of Minneapolis (3-0-0) won a six-round decision over popular Omaha middleweight Bruce "Mouse" Strauss (5-2-0).

Doug Demmings, now living in St. Paul, and Marc Hans of Minneapolis put on an entertaining four-round exhibition.

MARSHALLTOWN, IOWA–Council Bluffs heavyweight Ron Stander took on local football player Rick Howe, who was making his pro debut, and, after Stander scored five knockdowns, the end came when Howe could not come out for the seventh round, giving Stander the kayo win. An amazing, boisterous crowd of two thousand turned out for promoter Morris Dunn's first show, and the gate was an unbelievable $20,000. This was not an exhibition by Stander, and he received $1,500 for meeting the novice, Howe. Stander is now 36-12-2.

Bruce Strauss, 150, Omaha stopped Nick Miller of Carter Lake, Iowa, in the third round.

A grudge match between two Marshalltown rivals saw Larry McConnell decision Denny Ferris in six one-minute rounds.

ST. PAUL, MINN.–The annual amateur dinner show at the Radisson Hotel completely sold out the ballroom as 607 fans paid $9,200. to see an all action show. In the main event, Chris Sims of Anoka stopped Upper Midwest champion Gene Schultz of St. Paul in the second round of a heavyweight battle. Dave Iverson, St. Paul decisioned Dick Curry of Rochester, middleweights, in the evenings best fight. St. Paul's 156-pounder, Brian Brunette, decisioned 165-pound Bill Rossbach of Red Lake. St. Paul lightweight Dale Jackson decisioned Pat Shaugnessey of Anoka. Ray Nash, St. Paul decisioned Terry Marsh of Anoka in a featherweight clash.

SACRAMENTO AND VICINITY

By CHRISTOPHER COATS

OAKLAND–Light heavyweight Tommy Evans found an opponent he didn't have to chase and the fight was hard-fought and exciting while it lasted. Len Provo showed lots of courage, but the harder punches of Evans finally put him out on his feet with thirty seconds remaining in round three.

Evans, 181, Richmond, has had no trouble attracting the customers since promoter Babe Griffin began guiding his career last year. Before then Evans was fighting infrequently, and in a two-year stretch had only three fights. Intelligent promoting has saved Evans from obscurity and turned him into a local hero.

Provo, 180, from San Diego, came to the Oakland Auditorium bout with a 9-2 record. His last fight was a ten round decision lose to touch Pete McIntyre. Evans is a proven hitter with both hands and yet Provo didn't take a backward step in the first round. He tagged Evans to the head and body and won the round by a slight margin.

In the second, Evans turned it on and landed some really crunching shots to Provo's midsection. The fans went wild as the two fighters stood in from of each other and traded their best punches. Provo, who is a Marine sergeant during the day, never gave up despite the punishment Evans handed him.

The action continued fast and hard in the third, but Provo was on the receiving end of most of it. Finally, after a barrage of body shots, Evans connected with a left uppercut that threw Provo back against the ropes. He was in bad shape, his legs unsteady, his eyes glazed, and referee Rudy Ortega stepped in and halted the fight.

Evans' record is now 12-2-1, all his victories by kayo. In his previous two outings, he retired Mike Quarry and knocked out misnamed Ed "Savage" Turner in two. The future looks good for Evans. He has a home base and will undoubtedly draw more fans in future shows for Babe Griffin. 1251 customers showed up and not a one of them left disappointed.

Danny Adams, 151, Oakland, suffered his first lose in four fights when more experienced Maurice Aldona, 152, Los Angeles, out-hustled him over eight rounds. Adams tired badly under Aldona's body attack.

In a six rounder, Max Cervantez, 133, San Francisco, and Jorge Hernandez, 135, San Francisco, opened the show with a six-round draw. Most of the customers felt Cervantez edged Hernandez, who was making his pro debut.

FELT FORUM

By HERBERT G. GOLDMAN

▲NEW YORK CITY, N.Y.–Why is Ralph Racine so right hand crazy? For nine rounds, Ralph, 132¾, tried to land the one big bomb on Nicaragua's Marco Barahona, 134½, only to have his 23-year-old opponent counterpunch him silly and shake off whatever Racine blows did land.

Almost six weeks earlier, Racine had come back from almost certain defeat at the hands of Cocoa Sanchez to score a TKO at 1:17 of the tenth and final round. He tried to do it here again, and damned nearly made it as he put Barahona down for an eight-count and almost wiped the floor up with him in the last half minute of the fight. Barahona held on for dear life, and even managed to survive when Ralph had him on the ropes.

The decision was as follows: judge Al Reid, 5-5 in rounds and 6-5 in points in favor of Racine; referee John Lo Bianco and judge Bernie Friedkin, both 6-4 (6-5, points) in favor of Barahona. All three officials gave Racine two points for the last round.

The ten-round co-feature, a substitute for the Leroy Jones-Mike Koranicki bout (which was itself a sub for Koranicki's originally scheduled fight with Gerry Cooney), saw Willie "Macho" Classen, 161½, and John Locicero, 157, in a good old fashioned, if not furious, club fight. The fight see-sawed until the eighth, when John knocked Willie through the ropes and out the ring. Referee Billy Graham counted Classen out at 2:11 of the round. Willie, incidentally, looks like he's all through. He was definitely not the same fighter who gave Vito Antuofermo such a fight in Madison Square Garden on August 24, 1978.

There were two eight-rounders on the bill. In the first one, Luis Resto, 151, Bronx, scored a shutout over Earl Liburd, 150¼, of the Virgin Islands. In the second, George Fakaris, 144, surprised everyone by holding "Irish" Paddy Dolan, 145, to a draw. In fact, I had Fakaris, who entered the ring with a 7-11-4 record, winning.

Three six-rounders: Wilfredo Lanza, 128¼, New York, won unanimous decision over Jose Ortiz, 129¼, Brooklyn; Carmelo Negron, 127, Puerto Rico, knocked out Tomas Diaz, 130, Santo Domingo, with a right at 2:34 of the third; Jose Nieto, 127, Bronx, kayoed Mike Frazier, 126¾, Philadelphia, in 2:59 of the first round with a left hook.

Two scheduled four-rounders: Norberto Sabater, 159, won a unanimous decision over fellow New Yorker Jesse Goodmond, 159½. In the program opener, former amateur star Charles Singleton, 176½, made his pro debut by stopping Moe Wilson, Springfield, Mass., in 2:17 of the fourth round. Referee Joe Cortez stopped the contest after Wilson had been down. Singleton is out of the Joe Frazier stable.

The paid attendance was 1,774, accounting for gross receipts of $15,498.70. Fred Abbatiello was the timekeeper.

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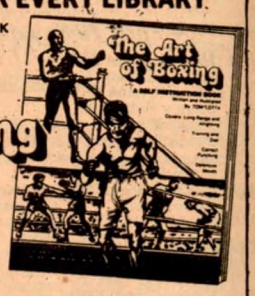

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JACK SHARKEY

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TV. Maybe TV has changed it all. In my day, we come to fight.''

Q: *''At one time, you had absolutely the worst relationship any athlete ever had with the New York press. Why?''*

A: ''Part of it was my fault. I did pull some tantrums, and most of the time I was blunt, but I was always honest, and that made good copy. Some guys in the press are less concerned with giving the facts than showing how smart they are themselves and they like to give you a name or a label. Like they started called Terry Bradshaw 'stupid,' yet you notice that he wins and he calls his own plays. But the name sticks. The names the writers gave me did hurt at the time, but that was only part of life. I'm glad I got this far on a split decision.''

As he pointed out the hall where his kids used to play (''In this house, I have known life's sweetest moments'') or the room in which his wife took fatally ill (''She was my first and only girl friend''), I first began to realize why all of Shakespeare's plots proceed from a family situation, for it contains the essence of tragedy, the riddle of human existence. Shadows and shallow pretenders now were Yankee Stadium, Ebbets Field, and a headline in Miami. Here was the reality.

Q: *''If you wonder why you didn't keep the title longer, I think I know why. Even though boxing was your profession, it really was a digression. All you ever wanted to be was a family man and an outdoorsman. Fate made you a boxer. Hemingway would have loved you. I think you lacked the singleness of purpose to hold the title for an extended period. Did you know that some of the champs never had any kids at all (Sullivan, Corbett, Jeffries, Burns, Johnson, and Schmeling–though some of them had four wives)? Dempsey never had any children till his third marriage after he had retired and Tunney did not even get married till after the Heeney fight, when he retired undefeated? Would you accept that hypothesis?''*

A: ''That word 'hypothesis' always gives me a headache. Let's have a beer. I always take a beer for a headache, never an aspirin. Beer comes from nature. Like you poets say 'back to nature.' ''

"I WILL NOT FIGHT AGAIN," SAYS GEORGE FOREMAN

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all this was a hollow sham. At age 30, he is a man of God, a deeply committed man of religious persuasion who wants to bring others into the better way of life, to join with him and God.

Foreman now sees a conflict between preaching and punching. ''Everyone believes that God will give me a message to go back, but nobody ever told me to stop boxing,'' he said. ''That's the strangest thing in the world. How can I punch a man down to the floor and tell him that I love him and God loves him? How can I call him brother and punch him in the head? He'd think I was a hypocrite.

''When I fought I gave it my best and fought with everything I had for three minutes of each round until somebody went down or out. I can't do less for Jesus Christ now!''

If George fights the devil as he did opponents in the ring, that man down below is in for a real hassle. During his fighting career as a professional, George knocked out forty-two of the forty-seven men he faced. He won three of his fights by way of decision and lost one decision and was knocked out once. I'd hate to be the force fighting George Foreman.

His second marriage went on the rocks when his wife couldn't stand the amount of time that George spent with his religion. He now lives at his ranch in Marshall, Texas, mostly alone. The women have gone and so have all the other ostentations of the glittering and glamorous past. There is no void in George's life and he maintains that he doesn't need liquor, smoking or even television. He is thinking of selling his three television sets because they are extraneous to his new spartan way of life.

''I could get a job, but, to be honest, I need all my time to preach'' says Foreman.

He does miss some facets of boxing and occasionally does a little road work. But the gym that he fixed up on his ranch is closed up and he never touches the implements of his former profession. The gloves are not hung up; they are not that important anymore. They are strewn in piles, gathering dust, the dust of things gone by, tools to gather rust.

''I don't condemn boxing and at times I miss it. I spent years at it but it is all over. I have no interest in participating anymore.

''When I am travelling to spread the gospel, to preach, I no longer get fancy suites. I take a small room and spend my time mostly reading the bible. I don't watch television or go to the movies. I live a modest life.''

WHO IS MIKE WEAVER?

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''We're not giving away any secrets,'' he states. ''But let's just say I'm not going to make the same mistake ''Jaws'' Ocasio did and walk right into Larry's long left jab. Any fighter knows you don't fight Holmes from the outside''.

The signing of a title bout has begun to draw young Mike Weaver out of his shell of reticence. He is learning to talk more easily to press and fans and he is savoring some newfound recognition. Weaver is delighted, as he is suddenly besieged by fans for his photo and his autograph. His slow smile and quiet speech portray the pride and delight he feels at being a sudden celebrity.

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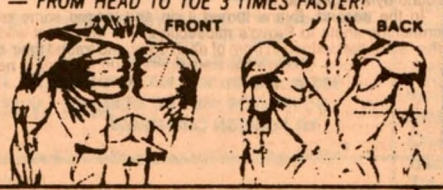

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GALINDEZ STOPS ROSSMAN

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the end of the round, it appeared as though Rossman had a good chance to turn things around.

But it was a psyched-up Galindez in the sixth round who kept peppering left jabs and beating Rossman to the punch. Rossman tried to zero in on the cut eye, but he couldn't land effectively enough to reopen the wound.

It was here, according to post-fight explanations that Rossman couldn't use the right to stop the constant barrage of left hooks by Galindez. Rossman kept his foe at bay with left jabs throughout the seventh, but in the eighth Rossman took a terrific beating as Galindez landed solid left hooks.

In the ninth round, Galindez cut Rossman over the right eye and staggered him twice with left hooks. Although he weathered a stormy session, Rossman's best punch of the round was a surprising right hand to the head at the bell.

When the fight was stopped, the official scorecards were as follows: Referee Christodoulou, 6-3, Galindez; Judge Waldemar Schmidt of Puerto Rico, 6-3 Galindez; Judge Jesus Celis of Venezuela, 8-1, Galindez.

Both fighters scaled 174½.

FRANKLIN WINS WBC TITLE

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jabs and leaping hooks to the head. Franklin's face was beginning to be badly marked and a small cut had opened on his right eyelid.

"Johnson was doing more damage when I was backing up," admitted Matt. "I came back to my corner and my trainer, Nick Belfiore, was in tears."

"I seen him getting hit with those punches and I was crying," said Belfiore. "It was like my own kid getting hit with those punches. That's how I felt about him. I was crying and Matt kissed me and said, 'Don't cry, I'm going out there and do it.' "

This proved to be the turning point of the fight. Franklin stopped running in the fifth and started to slug.

Johnson dug in his heels and fired back as the torrid pace built to a fever pitch.

The war had taken its toll on both warriors' faces, and at the conclusion of the sixth, Johnson was also leaking claret from a gash over his right eye.

Pesky right hand jabs from Johnson were still finding their mark in the seventh when "Big Matt" exploded with a barrage of searing lefts and rights. Marvin was in deep trouble, reeling along the ropes, when the bell came to his rescue.

Franklin could smell the title now and catapulted from his corner at the start of the fateful eighth, both hands churning at an alarming rate. Johnson was still groggy from the pummelling he had received in the prior round and was hurt once again moments into the round.

Then, seemingly out of nowhere, a desperation left from Johnson tore open a bloody gash on Franklin's left eye. Suddenly, blood was everywhere. Matthew's face became a sickening mask of gore. Sensing that he was in a do-or-die situation, the challenger fired everything he had.

"I couldn't see out of both eyes," Franklin recalled. "I could barely make Johnson out. I just kept saying to myself, 'I have to go for the championship. I have to knock him out.' "

Punch after punch ravaged Johnson until the final vicious right put him down. Franklin was like a man possessed, a wild animal fighting for life itself.

Johnson proudly said that he could have carried on but the ref made a wise decision.

"There was no way I could let the fight continue," DeFabis said. "I was very concerned about Marvin being hurt to the extent that he would never be able to fight again."

Marvin's manager, Arnold Weiss, also agreed with DeFabis' call. "I have no question with the ruling. It's better to have a healthy fighter than a man who absorbs excessive punishment. From where I sat it looked like Marvin had had it."

It was a magnificent fight, with the outcome in doubt up until the final crushing right that put Johnson away. The fighters covered themselves with glory and earned every penny of their purse money.

Before visiting the hospital for stitches over both eyes, the happy Franklin held court in his dressing room and announced that he had embraced the Islamic faith and would now be known as Matthew Saad Muhammed. He also praised the man he had just destroyed.

"I admire Johnson because he's a good fighter and for being a worthy champion and giving me this opportunity."

Franklin is scheduled to defend his newly won title against England's John Conteh in Monte Carlo this summer, while the despondent Johnson spoke of a possible fight with Victor Galindez for the WBA version of the crown.

Local promoter Fred Burns presented an undercard that would be better forgotten as quickly as possible.

Indy kayo artist Sammy NeSmith, 159½, disposed of New England's inept Benny Sanchez, 152½, with body shots in 2:59 of the second round. It was no contest and poor Sanchez was thrown in way over his head.

In other prelims, Danny Meyers, 145½, of Muncie, stopped Curtis Stevens, 152½, in two and Jimmy Claar, 167½, New Liscon, feasted on Robert Strickland, 162½, Cincinnati, for a second round knockout.

Philly light heavyweight prospect Jerry Martin who was in town to spar with Johnson, tallied another easy win when Chicago's Al Bell, 177, couldn't come out for the third.

The promotion was a joint effort by Burns, Rus Peltz, and Bob Arum.

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SERRANO HALTS MGXAJI

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instead of grasping this opportunity and bringing tears of joy to the continent of Africa, Mgxaji saw fit to dance around the champion with fists at waist level. Serrano was given a much needed breathing space and survived a round that could have stripped him of his title.

The sixth and seventh rounds were recuperating rounds for the world champion. Like a true master craftsman, he kept away from the South African by merely going through the motions. He clinched, held, and allowed the South African to do his "shuffle" to the delight of the people. Occasionally, Serrano would deliver his powerful lefts and rights to the body and remind the South African that there was still plenty of fight in the champion.

As the boxers came out for the eighth round, the crowd sensed that Mgxaji was in this fight with an even chance. But after two minutes of the round, their dreams were lying shattered on the canvas.

There was a broad smile on Mgxaji's face and his feet were doing all sorts of unboxing like movements. Serrano seized this golden opportunity and moved into the South African. Two bludgeoning lefts and a right to the body sent Mgxaji rolling on his back.

They were blows that carried immense power and delivered with the precision of a computer. The South African tried to rise at four but fell to the canvas. He finally made it up at eight.

Referee Larry Rozadilla held the South African to see if he was in a fit state to continue.

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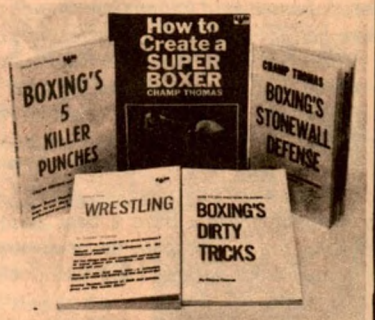

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Satisfied with his condition, Rozadilla ordered the boxers to fight. But the towel came fluttering in Mgxaji's corner. It was a dramatic end to the fight after it had looked as if the South African challenger had come back into it after those two early knockdowns in the second round.

WATT TKO'S PITALUA

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Paul in London, February 16, 1970, then by Johnny Clayton, also in London, on June 22, 1976. His record at home in Scotland is 5-1, the loss being a fifteen-round decision to Ken Buchanan, in a British lightweight title bout, back in 1973.

The Watt-Pitalua fight was close for the first six rounds as the southpaw Watt boxed the pressing Pitalua.

Jim turned the bout in his favour in the seventh round, scoring a quick knockdown. From then on, the Scot knew that he was on his way.

Jim nearly stopped Pitalua in the eleventh, when he had Antonio groggy from a succession of jabs. Watt then opened the twelfth round with an attack that pinned his 25-year-old Colombian opponent on the ropes, where Jim poured punches to the head and body until American referee Arthur Mercante called a halt at 1:55.

Vilomar Fernandez of the Dominican Republic may be Watt's first defense. Andrew Ganigan is another possibility. They are ranked three and four, respectively, by the WBC.

LEONARD BEATS A. VIRUET

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traps. As the fight progressed Leonard became more confident as he solved Viruet's style and even came out of his shell to put on display before the ABC television audience his much publicized boxing ability.

By the end of the fight there was no doubt as to who was in control of the fight and Leonard had proved he has what it takes to meet the best in the boxing trade.

Leonard gave up three inches in height to Viruet as well as three pounds, which was one of the problems since a reach advantage helped Viruet hold off Leonard and made it difficult in the early stages of the contest for Ray to use his superior boxing ability.

Viruet went into the fight with a seventeen to three win-lost record. In the past year Viruet had defeated Bruce Curry and went ten rounds with Roberto Duran. He was considered a good test for Leonard and the "Sugar Man" stood up to it in fine style.

CHACON, LIMON, DRAW

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unspectacular. Juan Escobar, Mexico City, kayoed Juan Batista of Dominican Republic at 2:34 of the second of a scheduled ten-rounder between featherweights. Escobar is being mentioned as a future opponent for champion Danny Lopez.

In an opening ten-rounder, Abel Cordova, Mexico City, halted Fernando Lugo, Los Angeles, with one minute left in the ninth. Lugo was exhausted and ready to fall.

PACIFIC NORTHWEST BOXING NEWS

By RUGGLES LARSON

▲PORTLAND, OREGON–Steve Chase, 144, Kelso, Washington, reversed the lone setback on his professional fight record by TKOing Eddie Nuno of Las Vegas at 1:50 of the eighth round of a scheduled ten at Jantzen Beach Ice Arena. Southpaw Nuno scored a flash knockdown in the second round, but the rugged Chase was leading on points when the attending ringside physician ordered the bout stopped due to cuts above Eddie's eyes.

Mike Lancaster, 160 lbs., Renton, Washington, knocked out Paddy Wilson of Portland with a right hand in the sixth round. Lancaster, who hadn't fought in nearly three years, looked sharp in his return. Manny Gonzales, 139, Seattle, kayoed Kid Hinostroza, Springfield, Oregon, in the first round of a scheduled six-rounder.

▲OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON–Promoter Inigo Lucchesi is very optimistic about PNW boxing, with several new faces entering the picture and various cities planning pro shows. Inigo has been promoting in Western Washington since 1947 and is planning several cards in Lacey.

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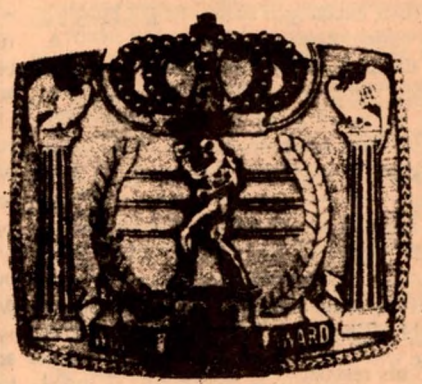

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MURATA KAYOES MOON

OPBF abantamweight champion Eijiro Murata watches as challenger Moon Myung-An sinks to the canvas. Murata scored a knockout to retain his crown at 2:46 of the second round.

Tokyo, Japan–OPBF (Oriental and Pacific Boxing Federation) bantamweight champion Eijiro Murata made very short work of Moon Myung-An, a Korean challenger, in the second session of their scheduled twelve-round bout at Korakuen Hall, which was packed with 1,700 spectators.

It was the unbeanten Murata's first defense since he decisively dethroned Korean Kim Yung-Shik in twelve unanimous frames here last December. Japanese Murata, the WBA's seventh bantamweight, was so impressive as to have the crowd on its feet.

The twenty-two year old Murata entered the ring at the 118-pound limit to 117¾ for Moon. Judging by appearances, they were similar from the viewpoint of physique and height as well. The OPBF's ninth contender, Moon was quite unknown to us, except that he was once Korea's national flyweight titlist after his long amateur career and was discharged from military service last year.

From the start, they began fireworks. The lanky stylists exchanged sharp straight punches to show their potential speed.

Near the end of the first round, Murata's well-timed right following a smashing combination exploded at the chin of Moon. The challenger went down on the seat of his pants and took the mandatory eight count. A fine knockout came at 2:46 of the next round, as Murata aggressively swarmed over his fading opponent to score two more knockdowns. Moon attempted to respond with some left jabs, but the defending champ sent an explosive right to his chin again. Though Moon arose, he was forced to go down again because of Murata's unmerciless follow-up. A towel was tossed in from Moon's corner, but referee Shimakawa neglected it and counted out the bleeding loser. The triumph upped the Nipponese hope's record to thirteen wins and nine kayos against one draw (with Korean boss Park In-Kyu).

Korean Moon, 23, suffered his fourth setback against twelve wins, including three knockouts.

Murata displayed good improvement in counterpunching. However, can he be ready for a shot at Carlos Zarate's WBC title, or at Jorge Lujan's world throne? Not yet! Murata, with his flashing speed of hands, still seems wide open sometimes at close quarters, and is still monotonous with his use of leading lefts.

For Japanese fight fans it will be an interesting question as to which is stronger, the orthodox boxer Murata or the fast-rising nonstop puncher Shuichi Isogami, the seventh contender of WBC.

In a supporting ten, ex-Orient champs met, but their lack of action caused considerable disappointment among the crowd.

Lefty Cassius (Junichi) Naito, 156 pounds and twenty-nine years of age, dropped Tsutomu Hagusa, half a pound lighter, on four occasions, finishing the latter midway in the seventh round.

Naito, in his second bout after a four-year lay-off, did not appear to have regained his previous smooth combinations, but threw wild rights at his shorter rival's body. Hagusa, six years his junior, could not endure the body bombardments, and was counted out by the ref, Yoshida. Naito's record is now 27-8-2 with thirteen knockouts. Naito, a six-footer and the son of an American father and a Japanese mother, must fight more frequently if he wishes to recapture the OPBF middleweight crown from Korea's Yuh Jae-Do, who wrested it from Naito via the kayo route and has defended it twenty-one times.

JBC (Japan Boxing Commission) lightweight rankers Gen Akutsu and Shuhei Takebe, both scaling at 132 pounds, fought to a majority draw in eight heats.

The good card was presented by Kaneko Promotion and telecast through TBS Television.

JAPAN

▲**YOKOHAMA**–Another OPBF champion who successfully defended his crown for the first time was Chikara (Tsutomu) Igarashi, who fought to a twelve-round draw with former champ Jiro Takada in a close contest. Having been outscored twice by Takada, the defending champ tried to turn the tables decisively. However, Igarashi, full of speed but lacking in power, was unable to pile up a good lead although he landed far more punches at his opponent's breadbasket. Igarashi, rated as the ninth flyweight by WBA, has been a frequent bleeder at the right eyebrow, and so he was from the fifth round on. The short rivals continually mixed it up on even terms, although Igarashi might have been a bit superior at aggressiveness. Takada had experience having had cracks at the world and WBA titles, being badly stopped by Miguel Canto in Mexico and by Guty Espadas in Tokyo. Takada looked ring rusty owing to his inactivity for months. It was not until the eleventh session that the challenger turned loose to score with a few but effective rights at the fast-moving champ's face.

Each tipped the beam at the 112-pound limit.

It was Igarashi's tenth draw against seventeen wins (with only six KOs) and fourteen defeats, and Takada's third draw against thirty-one wins and ten losses.

Looking back over their full performances, who would come and see one of them fight for the world title? It was ridiculous that the bout was ballyhooed as an eliminator to decide a challenger for Miguel Canto (who was unexpectedly dethroned by Korean Park Chan-Hee twelve days later).

It was a dual title bout card. In the semi-final ten, Katsuo Esashi became the national middleweight champion, as he needed only 2:51 to demolish the more experienced Nessie (Kazuhiro) Horiguchi with three knockdowns. Horiguchi, 159¾, was a good victim of the new titlist's specialty, straight rights.

As ex-national middleweight leader Masashi Kudo had relinquished the throne to the Japanese Boxing Commission after his winning the world junior middleweight title from Eddie Gazo last year, the national middleweight championship was vacant for awhile.

Esahi, twenty-six and standing 5'10", may be a lucky guy, as he has been crowned after a short career of only five wins (three within the distance) against three defeats.

In a supporting tenner, hard-hitting flyweight Nobuyuki Watanabe caught a taller and awkward rival named Masaru Fuji and knocked him out at thirty-four seconds into the tenth and final round.

It was Kyoei Kawai Promotion's card.

▲TOKYO, KORAKUEN HALL–Tarzan (Kiichi) Tobaru, the JBC's second-rancked welterweight contender, is a unique pier-six-brawler. As his ring name shows, Tarzan, with his long hair and bushy mustache, has always worn his own trunks of tiger skin. His rough-and-tumble style collected ten victims by kayo in twelve previous wins against two defeats.

Tarzan, weighing in at 142, faced Mitsuo Kushikino, top ranker, who embalmed the former at 2:34 of the eighth round, after the latter had a narrow escape on several occasions. All the way, Kushikino, at 144½ and from Osaka, covered himself up from Tarzan's incessant wild swings. As the game progressed, Tarzan apparently ran out of gas and Kushikino commenced connecting with short punches.

In the fatal eighth canto, Tarzan revealed his lantern jaw and visited the deck three times. He went to the dreamland.

In a semi-windup six, sensational Mitsuo Shima barely made a successful debut by winning a close but shutout decision over rough lefty Noboru Ishimine. Each weighed in at 124 pounds. The twenty-six year old Shima was a featherweight kick-boxing champ with a good record of 121-13-2. After an injury to his leg, from which he recently recovered, the lanky Shima decided to turn to international style boxing.

Can he be a second Saensak Muangsurin?

In another tenner, busy and tricky Katsuji Sano annoyed Satoru Uehara so much that he gained a shutout decision rather easily.

Both entered the ring at the 122-pound super bantam limit.

The official scoresheets were as follows: Shimakawa and Sasaki, 50-46 and Kanaya 50-47. Sano, now 13-5-1 with three kayos, must improve his powder-puff punching.

Some 1,800 fans were in attendance at the Hall.

▲TOKYO, KORAKUEN HALL–National junior lightweight ruler Yasutsune Uehara, 131 pounds, managed to register his seventh consecutive knockout by stopping Yasuhide Takahashi, 132, at 2:21 of the sixth session before 1,600 witnesses. However, it might have been a mismatch.

The 29-year-old Uehara, the WBA's eighth-ranked 130-pounder, had challenged Ben Villaflor for the world title, but had sunk in the second session, in Hawaii four and a half years before.

Takahashi, twenty-three, and with a record of ten wins, including seven kayos, against six defeats, proved no match for such a sturdy veteran as Uehara from the start. In the opening session, Uehara connected with lefts and rights and dropped the youngster twice, both times for the compulsory eight-count. It became a very lopsided affair, and Uehara floored Takahashi twice in the fourth and once more in the next round.

The third man, Morita, declared a halt to save the loser from further punishment in round six.

The stoppage carried Uehara to the record of twenty-two wins, with eighteen knockouts, against four defeats. His manager, Kanehira, plans to have Uehara fight world titleholder Samuel Serrano of Puerto Rico this autumn. It may be a problem, however, as to whether or not the shorter Uehara will be able to cope with the speedy jabber, Serrano.

In a preliminary eight, rising puncher Jhonny Fujimoto, 125¾, tabbed four kayos in a row as he pummeled Koji Kai, 125¼ pounds, into submission midway in the seventh round.

Featherweight Minoru Nanjo, 125¼, lost a decision to Toshisuke Taira, 126, in six.

TBS telecast this tune-up go of Uehara's which was promoted by Kyoei Promotion.

▲TOKYO, KORAKUEN HALL–The finals of the twenty-fifth annual All-Japan Shinjin-o (Novice King) tournaments came to an end, when Fresh fighters competed in ten divisions, to pass the Gate of Rookie.

The winners are promised, by the JBC, the tenth place on the next national ratings in spite of their rather short careers. The Best Shijin-o Award was rendered to a nineteen-year-old elongated puncher named Tokuo Maruuchi, who scored his fifth kayo in as many outings by halting Kazuaki Eguni, one pound heavier at 130, in the sixth and final round. Maruuchi's brilliant showing was such that TV commentator and ex-world flyweight champ Hiroyuki Ebihara said he would like to handle and coach the talented rookie.

The results of other hot contests were as follows:

Junior Flyweight: Former Japanese amateur high school champion, Tadashi Tomori, 107¼, proved a bit too ringwise for Tsuguhiro Miyaoka, 108, winning a unanimous decision in six. Tomori is now 8-0.

Flyweight: Unbeaten Goichi Oshi, only eighteen years of age, dropped Shinji Tawara from Osaka with a vicious right and earned a shutout nod in six.

Bantamweight: Footworker Ryoetsu Maruyama, 118, easily outscored Ryuichi Azuma, 117½, in six. JBC officials agreed to the score of 30-26.

Junior Featherweight: Lefty puncher Jo Tatsuki, 121½, was awarded a split hairline decision over slick-punching Satoshi Okuma, 122, in six.

Featherweight: Unbeaten in four previous bouts, Hideharu Mitsui, 124¼, sent a barrage of punches to Tomio Nakamura, 124¾, and halted him in the third session.

Lightweight: Upright stylist, Tadashi Suginaga, 134¼, was annoyed very much by the tricky mobility of Yoshitaka Hinenoya, 134½, but outpunched him in the later rounds to win a unanimous decision in six.

Junior Welterweight: Hard-hitting Masami Kikkawa, 138¾, was hardly sweaty, as he demolished Joji Mori, 138¼, at 2:05 of the first session.

Welterweight: Rugged swinger Shigeo Takagi, 147 pounds, overwhelmed Koji Maeda, 146¼, with his aggressive two-fisted attack, and finished him in the third round.

Middleweight: Elongated jabber Hiroyuki Sasaki, 159½, kept his proper distance all the way and outmaneuvered scrappy Masahide Kitamura, 159½, in six. The loser, from Osaka, had registered five wins, all by kayo, but was unable to overcome the difference of reach and height.

The Shinjin-o victors will have an opportunity to travel to Korea, because the annual meeting of Novice King winners will take place at Cultural Gymnasium in Seoul, Korea, some fifty days later. Last year, young Korean fighters came to Tokyo and won most of the competitions.

▲CHOSHI CITY–The JBC's fourth-ranked lightweight, puncher Mitsuo Ohashi, 134, was unable to score with solid left hooks, but managed to take a close but unanimous decision from Joken (Ryuichi) Narita, half a pound heavier, in ten frames.

Narita's sticky jabbing prevented Ohashi from tossing solid blows in the first half. The winner, however, caught his elusive target in the last two sessions and eked out an official verdict.

▲TOKYO, KORAKUEN HALL–Surviving a second-round knockdown, Hurricane Teru, the JBC's second-ranked bantamweight, at 120 pounds, came back with powerless but speedy punches, dropped Kazumi Sato, 119¼ and from Osaka, and gained a unanimous decision in ten give-and-take rounds before estimated 1,300 customers.

Fast-moving flyweight hopes engaged in a companion tenner. Shinji Suga, 111 pounds, was held to a draw by lefty speedster Kazumasa Tamaki, 112. Suga was the Novice King winner of the previous year.

▲TOKYO, KURAMAE SUMO ARENA–In a semi-final of the world junior middleweight title card which resulted in Masashi Kudo's controversial majority decision over Argentine Manuel Gonzalez over fifteen close rounds, junior welterweight prospect Eiichi Fukumoto, 141 pounds, won a hairline decision from Toru Sugawara, 139¾, in ten lackluster sessions.

In a preliminary six, Yoshiharu Tomiyama, 114¾, stopped Shizuo Kawano, 112, in two quick rounds.

The card drew some eight thousand spectators, most of whom doubted the decision in Kudo's favor.

▲CHIGASAKI CITY GYMNASIUV–It was a commemoration card for the late Goro Tsutsumi, manager of Piston Horiguchi Gym and an ex-amateur All-Japan flyweight champion, who passed away last summer.

A triple sixer gathered a crowd of some three thousand fans who had loved the local favorite, Tsutsumi.

Junior lightweight Shizuo Tosaka, 127, was held to a draw by Joe Hayato, 127¾, six. Nobuo Horigome, 111¼, outpointed Yoshinobu Sasaki, 110¾, six. Masaharu Osuga, 118, and Fujimi Wada, 116¾, fought to another six-round draw.

▲TOKYO, KORAKUEN HALL–National featherweight titlist Spider (Shigemitsu) Nemoto, at the limit, battered Koichi Matsushima, 125¼, from all angles and especially to the breadbasket, weakened him effectively, and demolished him at 2:13 of the ninth session before some two thousand spectators.

It was the fourth defense for Nemoto, 5'1", whose crouching style confused the still amateurish challenger. Matsushima, twenty-five and three years his junior, was a solid-punching hope who had defeated Jaguar Sekino and Leopardo Tsuruta last year. However, his winning streak was stopped at twelve by Spider's web. That is, his very continual body bombardment. Until the end of the eighth session, Spider copped six points, losing none. In round nine, the shorter champ chased him from pillar to post and nailed him to the ropes with a series of punches to the face and body. After the second knockdown, Matsushima made no effort, because of his absorption of punishment, to regain his feet. Nemoto's record now reads thirty-two wins, including eight knockouts, against seven defeats and two draws. Reportedly Spider had difficulty in finding any challenger. No fellow countrymen seems to like to meet such a short, sticky body puncher as Spider.

A supporting ten featured Misako Promotion's best hope, Katsuhiro Okubo, a former amateur champ who turned pro to compile four wins, all by knockout, against one kayo loss to Spaniard Perico Fernandez.

Okubo, the JBC's fourth-ranked 140-pounder, intends to move down to the lightweight division. This night, he battered veteran Mitsuyuki Nakane and halted him at 2:38 of the sixth round.

Each tipped the beam at 137¼ pounds. Being whipped at long range, the shorter brawler suddenly lost his fighting spirit. Then the ref Uchida gave a standing count to Nakane. . . . for the count. The lackluster performance of Nakane, now 21-11-2 with six kayoes, was so disappointing that the crowd jeered his unfaithful retirement. There were seven four-rounders before the doubleheader.

▲TOKYO, KORAKUEN HALL–Lanky bantie Shigeru Sasaki was a heavy favorite due to his greater experience, 21-7-3 including nine knockouts, but he sank with his back on the deck to be counted out by Referee Sasaki. The winner was rugged lefty Takashi Uezu, whose one-punch stoppage upped his record to nine wins against one defeat.

Both entered the ring at 120 pounds. Apparently, Uezu, younger by one year at twenty-five, but the slower of the two, received Sasaki's powerless but sharp punches on occasion. It might be true that Sasaki possesses a real glass jaw. Time was fifty-seven seconds of the seventh session.

In the first tenner, unbeaten speedster Inami gave Keisuke Yuguchi, the JBC's third-ranked junior flyweight, a rain of punches at the face and managed to finish the favorite with only fourteen seconds left in the tenth and final round. They were Japanese 108-pounders, each at the limit.

The twenty-year-old Inami dominated five rounds up to the stoppage, which was caused partly by the youngster's combos, but chiefly by Yuguchi's exhaustion. Inami, now 8-0-1 with two kayos, will be a hope, if he can put his weight behind his punches.

The crowd-pleasing card attracted the well-packed crowd of 2,200 fans.

▲OOITA CITY–Japan's bantamweight titlist Kosei Anan, 117½ pounds, engaged in a return bout with Jo Araki, 117, from whom he wrested the national throne in the Carnival of Champions last November.

It was as hard-fought and close as their previous meeting. However, the younger Anan sent more shots to the wild swinger and eked out a majority decision in ten heats.

Anan, a hard-hitting prospect, succeeded in his first defense, but his wide open guard must be improved in order to cope with his perennial rivals, OPBF champ Eijiro Murata and WBC ranker Shuichi Isogami.

▲TOKYO, KORAKUEN HALL–OPBF welterweight champion Ryu Sorimachi, a 31-year-old Japanese with a record of 57-11-4, with thirty-two knockouts, during his fourteen-year career, announced his retirement. His title was wrested by Korea's Lee

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1. Kenji Shibata (J)
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1. Akio Kameda (J)
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Champion
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Royal Kobayashi (J)

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9. Neptali Alamag (P)
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Tsutomu Igarashi (J)

1. Jiro Takada (J)
2. Koichi Maki (J)
3. Bernabe Villacampo (P)
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10. Monsayam Mahachai (T)

BANTAMWEIGHTS
Champion
Eijiro Murata (J)

1. Yung Shik Kim (K)
2. Kosei Anan (J)
3. Billy Abato (P)
4. Inkyo Park (K)
5. Paul Ferreri (A)
6. Jin Ishigaki (J)
7. Somkiat Sukothai (T)
8. Venice Borkorsor (T)
9. Harricane Teru (J)
10. Romy Roa (P)

FEATHERWEIGHTS
Champion
Royal Kobayashi (J)

1. Spider Nemoto (J)
2. Suk Tae Yun (K)
3. Shuzo Yoshida (J)
4. Bok Soo Hwang (K)
5. Nene June (P)
6. Klonyoth P. Punyoth (T)
7. Kunpholek Sakornphitak (T)
8. Romy Cunanan (P)
9. Koichi Matsushima (J)
10. Roland Navarete (P)

JR. FLYWEIGHTS
Champion
Sang Il Chung (K)

1. Siony Carpo (P)
2. Kazunori Tenryu (J)
3. Mak Dong Kim (K)
4. Chungcherng Borkorsor (T)
5. Ver Libradilla (P)
6. Pedro Solo (A)
7. Tusgumasa Toma (J)
8. Chukthep Chuwatana (T)
9. Young Hyun Kim (K)
10. Santhong Sithumrong (T)

Legend: (J) Japan, (K) Korea, (P) Philippines, (T) Thailand, (A) Australia, (I) Indonesia.
Note: The OPBF does not rate boxers currently rated by world boxing organizations.

Mak-Dok by a knockout in the sixth session of their twelve-round title bout before 1,200 witnesses. Lee Mak-Dok, twenty-three, a less experienced puncher, now has a record of eight wins, with seven kayoes, against two defeats in only eleven pro bouts.

Ryu entered the ring at the 147-pound welter limit to Lee's 144½. However, the Japanese veteran barely passed the official weigh-in at the fifth attempt. Ryu, from the start, seemed to run out of gas. He had to repeat his often castigated rope-a-dope tactics after being forced against the ropes lopsidedly. Mak-Dok, a rugged non-stop brawler, dropped the defending champ with a vicious one-two at the button in round four. After having a narrow escape and enduring the challenger's follow-up in the next round, Ryu became a victim of Lee's merciless barrage of punches to the face and body. Time was 1:09 of the sixth stanza after Ryu visited the canvas three times. The Japanese champ could not avert Lee's fierce attack, hitting the deck from wicked right shots by the Korean fighter. Sorimachi failed to defend his OPBF title for the twelfth time, which would have tied the record of ex-Orient feather champ Mitsunori Seki of Japan.

Ryu, bursting into tears, said farewell to the ring for good in a dressing room at the Hall. He was one of the oldest active fighters here. Ryu Sorimachi was unable to win the world throne after three attempts. He was outpointed by compatriot Koichi Wajima, the junior middleweight champ, in fifteen hard-fought rounds in April, 1973, and was kayoed by Oscar (Shotgun) Alvarado, Texas, in the seventh round in October of the next year, both in Japan. The Orient champ went to Las Vegas to fight Carlos Palomino for the world welter crown, but sank for the count from a tremendous left hook midway in the seventh session. Ryu acquired the Orient laurels by stopping Korea's Yim Byong-Mo in the ninth round in October, 1970. For six and a half years, he kept the throne with his hit-and-run tactics. Sorimachi was long managed by ex-world flyweight challenger Kyo Noguchi.

▲**TOKYO, KORAKUEN HALL**–A coubleheader took place in commemoration of former WBC lightweight champion Guts (Suzuki) Ishimatsu's recent retirement.

Both of Suzuki's stablemates won their bouts by good knockouts. Unbeaten ex-Olympian Hitoshi Ishigaki, now the JBC's top bantamweight contender, scored a solid left hook following a sharp straight right and dropped Hideo Kobayashi, half a pound lighter at 121¼, at 1:52 of the second round. Ishigaki, a tricky 25-year-old boxer, won his sixth pro bout with his fifth knockout. In the first tenner, hard-hitting Shigeo Nakajima, 112, flattened Masami Sekiyama, 111½ and a hope with a record of 13-3 (eleven kayoes) with a vicious body shot with ten seconds remaining in the seventh session. Rough welterweight lefty Kanichiro Takase demolished Takeshi Igarashi, Shinjin-o winner last year, with three knockdowns midway in the second round.

It was Yonekura Promotion's card, televised by TV Asahi.

▲**TOKYO**–We deeply mourn the sudden death of Iwao Kodaka, Club-honor of Kyokuto Gym who cultivated WBC junior lightweight champ Yoshiaki Numata, national featherweight titlist Hiroshi Okawa, and lightweight leader Toshiharu Ogoshi. Veteran referee Hiroyuki Tezaki and fight scribe Masaji Akiyama were also pupils of Kodaka. Iwao was a unique theorist, Japan's Cus D'Amato, who had applied his own scientific method of training to those talented fighters. Kodata, sixty-nine, was a pioneer who had combined his fight cards with TBS-TV, Tokyo.

THAILAND

▲**ROI ET**–What an outrageous riot happened that evening! WBA junior featherweight champion Ricardo Cardona of Colombia was originally scheduled to defend his title against a local favorite named Vichit Muangroi-et in fifteen rounds there.

However, the defending champ suddenly cancelled the fight, because he allegedly could not receive the promised purse prior to his appearance into the ring.

Some seven thousand fans, to make the matters worse, got so angry at the cancellation that some of them set fire to the squared circle. They went wild enough to have about a hundred policemen called out. The police reportedly protected the promoter, Anucha Vacharatangka, from the mob after fighting the fire.

The Thai challenger, Muangroi-et, had decisively beaten Korea's WBC ranker, Lee Keo-Sung, last November.

▲**BANGKOK, RAJADAMNERN STADIUM**–Klenyuth P. Punyuth became the new national featherweight champion as he knocked out Nunthabureng Leadbaneye in the sixth round. The younger Klenyuth was a perennial contender who displayed superior power punching.

▲**BANGKOK, RAJADAMNERN STADIUV**–TBC (Thailand Boxing Commission) top flyweights faced each other in a return bout. Suriya Pratumvadee lost a unanimous decision to Daune-san Luklongjun in six rounds. The victor, Luklongjun, was recently campaigning as a bantamweight owing to his having outgrown the 112-pound class.

▲**BANGKOK, RAJADAMNERN STADIUM**–Top 122-pounder of TBC, Morkasakdi Muangsurin proved too much of power for Kingpetch Vachirasakdi, whom he polished off in the third round. Morkasakdi may be a worthy and dangerous opposition against national champ Dejvarin Hollywood.

▲**BANGKOK, LUMPINEE STADIUV**–Another TBC junior feather contender, Dedkad Kiatbunyong amazed the crowd, when he scored a quick knockout over less experienced Lomphyu S. Chitphatana in the first round.

▲**BANGKOK, LUMPICEE STADIUM**–Fast 108-pounder Umnaj Singchinda won a decision from unknown and over-matched Daowroch Sawangchai in six.

▲**BANGKOK, RAJADAMNERN STADIUM**–Ex-Oriental junior flyweight ranker Montsayarm H. Mahachai, who had failed to take the WBA junior flyweight crown via a kayo at the hands of Yoko Gushiken in Japan, floored Kaowkrachang S. Thanikul, in the fourth round and gained a unanimous decision in six.

In the first bout of a dual main event, ex-amateur ringster Chukthep Chuwatana won an upset decision from veteran Suriya Pratumvadee in six. This victory made Chukthep the top contender in the 108-pound class, according to the latest TBC ratings.

▲**BANGKOK, LUMPINEE STADIUM**–Thai seventh-ranked bantamweight Sakdinan Leadchoupha proved too strong for Speto Singcherpleng, taking a unanimous decision in six. (In Thailand, main events are scheduled for six rounds, except for world, OPBF, or national title bouts.)

PHILIPPINES

▲**DAVAO CITY**–The GAB (Games and Amusements Board, the Commission of Philippines) bantamweight champion, Billy Abato, 116, retained his crown as he impressively polished off Bob Castor, 115 pounds, in the second session of their scheduled twelve-round title bout.

Abato's fine victory made the GAB select him "Boxer of the Month." In a supporting ten, junior flyweight champ Siony Carupo earned a unanimous nod over Ronald Sumalis in ten. Siony's title was not at stake owing to the contract, so they entered the ring at 111½ pounds.

▲**RMC, MANILA**–It was promoter Felixberto Jardenil's card featuring four tenners. GAB top junior feather contender Neptali Alamag gained an upset decision over ex-WBA ranker Thanomchit Sukothai, Thailand, in ten unanimous rounds. Each scaled in at 123 pounds.

Featherweight Willie Espinosa, 128, decisively whipped Eddie Ballaran, 128½, to win a unanimous decision in a semi-final ten.

Taller Rey Orbino, 120 pounds, lost a majority nod to rising bantam Noe Canino, 119½, in ten heats.

Flyweight William Develos, 113, unanimously defeated Allan Jardenil, 115, in the first tenner.

▲**CEBU CITY**–Former WBA junior feather ranker Roland Navarrete, 131, proved his power against a heavier rival named Pete Alferez, 132½, scoring a technical knockout in the second round of a scheduled ten-round main event.

Lightweight Al Espinosa, a slight favorite at 136, dropped a unanimous decision to Rod Delos Santos, 136, in a semi-windup ten.

The promoter was Lorenzo Sy.

▲**TARLAC**–Fast-rising bantam Rolando Rosuento, 118½, was a unanimous victor over Flashi Gapasin, 119, in ten.

Junior welter hope Frnakie Balase, 137½, scored a good TKO over Arman Marbella, 138, in the fourth round of their semi-final ten.

▲**DAVAO CITY**–GAB 108-pounders met in an overweight bout when Little Carupo and Diego de Villa battled to a unanimous draw in ten. Each weighed in at the 112-pound flyweight limit.

Junior lightweight puncher Primo Bulambao, 131, TKO'd Marlon Mascardo, 130 pounds, in the fifth session.

▲**RMC, MANILA**–Perennial lightweight top contender Joe Lim, 137½, proved too ringwise and strong for ex-WBA ranker Petsiam Petschareon, from Thailand, in the ninth round of their scheduled tenner. Petsiam, 137, had beaten OPBF champ Oh Yung,Ho, Korea, via a unanimous decision in Bangkok. However, his name disappeared from the WBA top ten after he was knocked out by Filipino hope Celso Esmero in Thailand last year. Petsiam is also known as a cousin of Saensak Muangsurin, former WBC junior welterweight champ, who recently hung up his gloves after being dethroned by Korean Kim Sang-Hyun.

Sturdy swinger Erning Grafe, 129, technically kayoed Pisawong Wansari, 128 pounds, in the eighth session.

The top contender in the 108-pound class, Ver Libradilla, 109½, caught Jun Bobier, 110, and demolished him in the sixth round.

▲**CABANATUAN CITY**–Hard-hitting junior feather Polly Barce 121, tabbed a good knockout over Rene Cruz, Jr. in the fifth round.

In a companion ten, Fel Viesca, Jr. and Pero Lipata fought to a technical draw. They were featherweights at the limit.

▲**GENE SANTOS CITY**–The GAB's top notcher in the 130-pound class, Johnny Sato, at the limit, found Nardito Adrayan, 131, easy to hit with his two-fisted attack and stopped him in the fifth round.

▲**BUKIDNON**–GAB junior welterweight contender Cris Boy Otero barely made the weight at 136 pounds, as his lightweight opponent Dario Medida scaled in. They battled to a majority draw in a ten-round event promoted by Roleto Pahlian.

▲**OROQUIETA CITY**–Featherweight Nilo Acido defeated Young Fely by a unanimous decision in ten. Each entered the ring at 128 pounds.

Up-and-coming flyweight Robinson Abato, 114, beat ex-flyweight boss Julius Gonzaga, 114, in a semi-final ten.

▲**LA TRINIDAD**–On Antero Velandria, Jr.'s card, flyweight Jimmy Boy, 114, unanimously outscored Rodrigo Saonoy, 114, in ten frames.

Rookie junior lightweight Ric Dolotallas, 130, was a unanimous victor over Romeo Sajonia, 131 pounds, in a companion ten.

KOREA

National champions are: junior flyweight Kim Mak-Dong, flyweight Lee Seung-Hoon, bantamweight Park In-Kyu (unbeaten and with a hard-fought draw with OPBF boss Eijiro Murata in Tokyo last year), junior featherweight Baek Chong-Woo, featherweight Yun Suk-Tae, lightweight Lee Yidano (a promising speedster), junior lightweight Moon Tae-Jin, junior welterweight Kim Chong-Ho, welterweight Kim Joo-Suk (an ex-amateur ringster who took the national title in his second pro bout), junior middleweight Kim Yong-Taek, and middleweight Park Chong-Pal.

▲**ULSAN**–OPBF junior lightweight champion Choi Moon-Suk retained his title by scoring a technical knockout over Fred "Bruce Lee" Basa, Philippines, in the seventh session of their twelve-round title bout. It was Korean Choi's second defense since halting lefthander Rey Tam, a Filipino badly beaten by Alexis Arguello in April, 1978, in November. Choi, a sturdy hard-puncher, upped his record to thirty-six wins, including twenty-six knockouts, against eight defeats and two draws. He is a 23-year-old son of a U.S. father and a Korean mother.

▲**SEOUL**–Cultural Gymnasium witnessed a delux double-header of top Korean fighters.

WBA world junior lightweight rankers Kim Tae-Ho and Kim Kwang-Min engaged in a sensational tenner. Tae-Ho, the third WBA 130-pounder who dropped Samuel Serrano but sank in the tenth round in November, 1977, was a slight favorite because of his greater height and reach as well as his vaunted speed and skills. However, Kwang-Min, a sturdy swinger who upset then OPBF champ Rey Tam last year, overwhelmed the lanky technician all the way and gained a unanimous decision. Kim Kwang-Min, the WBA's number six ranker, will meet OPBF champ Oh Yung-Ho in his next showing.

Oh Yung-Ho appeared in the first tenner, where he faced Korea's young lightweight titlist Lee Yidano, whom he demolished with a vicious two-fisted attack in the third round.

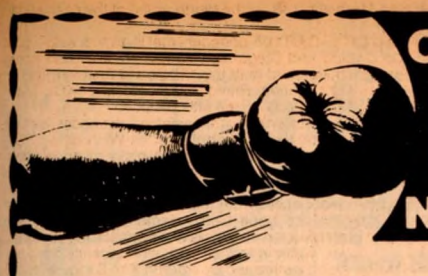
TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

By GEORGE C. BECKLES

▲**PETIT VALLEY–Sparrow's Hideaway–A crowd of three thousand fans, who paid thirty dollars ringside and twenty dollars anywhere else, saw Claude Noel, 136, lightweight champion of Trinidad, devour Canadian lightweight champion Gaetan Hart, 134½, over ten.**

Hart carried the fight to Noel, who missed a lot of punches. Hart, however, suffered a cut under the left eye early in the fight. Hart's corner did a good job with the cut, and Hart was able to stand everything that Noel had to offer. Although Hart does not pack a big wallop, he boxed well, jabbing and moving in and out. He also slipped and ducked away from Noel's big ones, giving Claude little chance to punch from the best angles. It was something like a fight between a mongoose and a snake. All in all, it was an interesting fight. The scores of the officials were as follows: referee George Cumberbatch, 48-39; judge Juan Reece, 50-40, and judge Lawrence Assam, 50-36, all in favor of Noel.

In a supporting ten-round bout, Patrick Ford, 131½, featherweight champion of Guyana, TKO'd Jean LaPointe, 130, Canada's leading featherweight, in one minute of the fourth. Referee Melchoir Taylor stopped the one-sided fight to save LaPointe from further punishment.



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Bruce was hammered out in the eleventh round by Jack Gardner and lost his British and Empire heavyweight titles. Woodcock then retired and tried his hand as a manager. When that did not work out, he asked a regional council of the BBBC for a license to resume boxing. They turned him down. He then appealed to the full board, which listened to his story for twenty-five minutes and then said "Positively no."

Woodcock subsequently bought a pub, sold it at a profit, and became the owner of a fleet of lorries and a gym.

LEE SAVOLD

Savold was born on a farm near Marshall, Minnesota, on March 22, 1916. He ran away from home when he was fourteen, did odd jobs around St. Paul, and, at fifteen, engaged in a single amateur bout. He started his pro career the next year.

Records of Lee's pro career prior to 1939 are incomplete. At one point, when he was out in California, he quit boxing and became a bartender. His weight jumped from 190 to 252 before he decided to return to boxing, but Lee soon got down to his fighting weight again.

Savold was a top heavyweight for years, but always seemed to lose as many big wins as he lost. He was a steady campaigner from 1939 until he entered the U.S. Maritime Service in 1943, and even had four fights while in the service during 1944.

After the war, Savold resumed his boxing career on a regular basis. Elmer (Violent) Ray knocked him out in two rounds in Ebbets Field on August 28, 1946 and Lee lost two ten-rounders to Phil Muscato in Buffalo in 1947. First round kayoes over Gino Buonvino and Buddy Walker, and a fifth round stoppage of Pete Louthis, accounted for his third-place ranking at the time of Louis' retirement.

In Lee's last fight, held in Philadelphia on February 13, 1952, he was stopped by Rocky Marciano in six rounds.

ELMER RAY

Born in Hastings, Florida, March 10, 19?? (Ray's exact age has always been a mystery.) He got his start in battle royals held down south, participating in sixty-one such contests before 1935. In 1937, he came to New York and was kayoed in three rounds by Jersey Joe Walcott.

There is no real record of Ray's contests before Tommy O'Loughlin became his manager in 1943, although Elmer (correct name Elmo) had also been kayoed by John Henry Lewis and Obie Walker.

In Ray's first outing under O'Loughlin, he fought Turkey Thompson in San Diego, August 7, 1943. Thompson fouled him a few times and the scrap was declared "no decision." In their second meeting, seventeen days later, Turk stopped Elmer at the end of one.

Many gave up on Ray after that one. But, from then until March 4, 1947, Elmer rolled up an incredible fifty-three straight victories, including forty-seven knockouts. Included in this streak were kayoes over Henry Cooper and Lee Savold and a ten-round split decision over Jersey Joe Walcott. In 1944, Joe Louis turned thumbs down on Elmer as a possible opponent for an exhibition in Chicago. Joe's reason was that Elmer would never box back at him; he'd punch. "One of us," said Louis, "might get hurt."

Joe, however, had no objections to Elmer as a titular opponent. Ray, however, who was number one contender, lost to Walcott in a return bout, held in the Orange Bowl in Miami. Jersey Joe then got the shot at Louis.

On May 7, 1948, Ray, 192, fought Ezzard Charles, 175, in Chicago Stadium. This was a return bout, Elmer having beaten Ezzard in New York the year before. In this fight, however, Charles kayoed Ray with a left hook at 2:43 of the ninth stanza. Elmer, who was about forty, then decided it was time to hang them up.

OLLIE TANDBERG

Ollie, who was managed by Seo Holmstedt, a Swedish newspaperman, created quite a stir when he was given a decision over Joe Baksi in a ten-rounder held in Stockholm on July 6, 1947. It was a rather questionable verdict, and, when asked if he was surprised when he was declared the winner, Tandberg said, "Yes. I did not think I was winning."

That fight eliminated Baksi as Louis' next title opponent and led to the Walcott-Louis fight. As for Tandberg, he was brought to the United States, arriving on the Swedish-American liner, *Gripsholm*, on Monday, December 1, 1947, and matched with Joey Maxim. Maxim beat him over ten rounds on a split decision. The fight, however, was no contest. Tandberg looked awkward and fought like an amateur.

Ollie, who stood 6'3" and weighed 208 for Maxim, was born in Stockholm on October 12, 1918. He won the Swedish Amateur heavyweight title in 1937, 1938, 1939, and 1940 and the European amateur crown in 1937 and 1939. Tandberg first came to the United States in 1940, when he was a member of the European Golden Gloves team that took part in a tourney in Chicago. (Ollie won.) His American representative during 1947–48 was Lew Burston, who brought him to the U.S. through Sol Strauss, acting head of the Twentieth Century Sporting Club. Ollie had two more fights in the States after the Maxim contest, beating Walter Hafer in Miami and Duilio Spagnola in Boston. He then went back to Europe, and was never again seen in the world title picture.

BERNIE REYNOLDS

He started boxing, in the Army while stationed at Camp Stewart, Georgia in 1944. Joe Vella, the Cliffside, N.J., manager who guided Gus Lesnevich to the light heavyweight title, taught him the rudiments of boxing and Reynolds entered the professional ring in 1946. He won his first twelve fights by knockouts, went to England, where he lost an eight-rounder to Tom Reddington, and then returned to the U.S. to win fifteen more fights before losing a decision to Jackie Cranford at St. Nick's in New York on October 10, 1947.

Reynolds, who looked like an "All-American" college boy, was a good boxer and a fairly hard hitter. Cranford knocked him out in two rounds in a rematch, but Bernie reeled off nine more straight wins before Leo Matriccini beat him in a ten-rounder in New Haven. Ten more victories followed, including decisions over Cesar Brion and Johnny Shkor. In a rematch, held in New York on August 10, 1949, Brion knocked Reynolds out in the eighth round.

It soon became obvious that Bernie was not going to go "all the way." Joe Baksi knocked him out in seven rounds on April 7, 1950 and, after Reynolds had been out of action for a year, Joe Kahut put him out in seven in Portland, Oregon. Nine months later, Bernie halted Jimmy Parker in four rounds in New York City.

On May 12, 1952, Bernie Reynolds faced rough Rocky Marciano in Providence, Rhode Island. "I won the first two rounds," said Reynolds later. "Rocked him so hard in the second, in fact, that he came over at the bell and sat in my lap in my corner. Imagine!"

In the third round, Rocky knocked out Reynolds.

In his next fight, Bernie kayoed Billy Smith in two rounds in Miami Beach. Danny Nardico knocked out Reynolds in the second two weeks after that, but, in October, Bernie landed in Cincinnati as an opponent for former heavyweight champion Ezzard Charles, who knocked out Reynolds at 1:40 of the second round. "This was positively his last fight," said Vella afterwards. "If a boy doesn't have it, it is no reason for him to be a punching bag."

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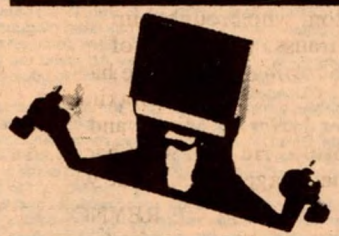

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NEWS FROM CHICAGO

by JIM BRADY

▲CHICAGO–Heavyweight prospect Greg Sorrentino, 193, Syracuse, N.Y., hammered out a unanimous decision over Big Jim Beattie, 250, St. Paul, Minn., to record his thirteenth win in fourteen bouts.

Throughout the bout, Sorrentino slipped Beattie's ponderous left jabs and countered with hard body shots that made his huge opponent clinch repeatedly. Seldom did Greg nail Beattie with a clean shot to the head. Many insiders thought Sorrentino had a good chance to stop the sixteen-year veteran, but Sorrentino is a bit shy in the power department.

For Beattie, it looks like the end of the trail. Although he's lost only two fights since beginning his comeback in 1976, he's been very selective about his opponents. A "money fight" with Duane Bobick never materialized as expected.

In the ten-round semi-final, state middleweight king Al Clay, 156, Chicago, retained his title by outboxing challenger Alex Poratta, 157½, Chicago.

Luke Capuano, 185, Chicago, made it six wins in a row by stopping oft-beaten Baker Tinsley, 207, Louisville, Ky., in three.

Promising James Quicktillis, 189, Chicago, stopped Rocky Lane, Memphis, Tenn., in the first round.

Hard-hitting Carl Crowley, Tipton, Iowa, stopped Chief Ketchinakow, Chicago, in a slug-fest between light middleweights. Crowley is a good prospect. Hopefully, he won't get thrown to the wolves.

In the opener, ever popular Wilson "Sugarbear" Williams, 244, Chicago, flattened Dennis Dodson, 202, Memphis, Tenn., in one.

▲CHICAGO–Highly-ranked Mexican Welterweight Jose Luis Santana, battered Amie Peregrino, 145, of the Philippines for six rounds before the referee mercifully intervened.

Santana, making his first appearance in Chicago since his draw here in 1977 against Rocky Ramon, was very impressive.

In the chief prelim, Ernest Gonsales, Durango, Mexico, outslugged Edwin Alaarcon, Philippines, in a jr. lightweight clash over ten.

Free-swinging Benny Marques, Chicago, stopped Virgillio Legapi, Philippines, in four rounds of featherweight action.

In the four-round welterweight opener, Juan Reboto, Chicago, stopped Robert Green, Waukeegan, in three.

Although the four-bout card was an artistic success, it was a financial disaster. Less than one hundred people paid to see the action held in the six thousand seat DePaul University Alumni Hall.

▲CHICAGO–Chicago's brightest prospect, Young Joe Louis, 19[illegible] scored his sixteenth win in a row by halting veteran Tiger Joe Harris, Cincinnati, at 1:47 of the fifth round.

From the beginning, it was simply a matter of time as Louis' hard jabs slammed into Harris' face repeatedly. For Harris, who once fought former WBA heavyweight king Jimmy Ellis, it's obviously time to retire.

On the other hand, Young Joe's future seems very bright. Bright as long as he is matched wisely. Recently, it was rumored he would fight another unbeaten heavyweight, John Tate. I hope this isn't true. If it is–I hope Louis' relatives know where to pick up the remains. Young Joe is a good young fighter (21), but he needs more experience before tangling with any of the "man-eaters" of the heavyweight division.

In the co-feature, huge Roy Williams, (6-6) 262½, Philadelphia, stopped gam Walter Stantamore, 205, New Orleans, at 2:12 of the sixth round. Williams, who had Earnie Shavers primed for the kill before he himself was stopped, is one of the most feared fighters in the heavyweight division.

Nobody wants to fight this man. It's too bad he has to fight for peanuts to stay alive. Against Santamore, he was lethal.

The "house fighter," George Mostardini, 214, Chicago, stopped human sacrifice Trinidad Escamiillia, 226, San Antonio, Texas, at 1:15 of the second.

Tom "Ruffhouse" Fischer, 211, Dayton, Ohio, brawled his way to a seven-round technical knockout over James Dixon, 187, Memphis, Tenn.

A crowd of about two thousand fans showed up at the suburban O'Hare Expo Center. More were expected, but the "live" telecast of the Larry Holmes-Ossie Ocasio and Ken Norton-Earnie Shavers bouts hurt the gate.

▲CHICAGO–"Royalty" descended on Chicago fight fans in the form of WBA light heavyweight king Mike Rossman, who was in town to box an exhibition at the DePaul Alumni Hall.

Unfortunately, only four hundred of his majesty's "loyal subjects" bothered to attend. As far as entertainment value was concerned, the "commoners" would've been justified in yelling "Off with their heads."

The four-round "feature" between Rossman and sparring-partner Tony Mesoraca was a complete bore.

In the ten-round semi-final, Young Joe Louis, 199, Chicago, outpointed Henry "Quick-Money" Lumpkin, 212, Chicago. Unfortunately, this bout was also a very boring contest. The fans booed repeatedly because of the lack of action.

In the best fight of the evening, the Tipton Terror, Carl Crowley, 149, used a mean left hook to stop gutty Warren Thunder, 158, Chicago, in two one-sided rounds.

CHICAGO GOLDEN GLOVES

By JOHNNY BELLINO

More than ten thousand fans flocked to the Chicago International Amphitheatre in early March to spectate the Chicago Golden Gloves finals. That compares favorably with Muhammed Ali's exhibition with Luke Capuano, which drew 5,500.

And the reason is obvious. The Golden Gloves is non-stop action. Testimony to that fact is obvious in the number of new champions. The novice, of course, are different each year.

But the names Jekiel, McCallum, Daniels, Sanchez, Williams, Williams and Mathews, no longer ring over the microphone system during the Tournament of Champions, which was held this year in Indianapolis' Haymarket Square.

That's because all went down to defeat. Only Leroy Murphy, Randy Smith and Wayne Lynumm, all long time veterans returned. And Murphy had the fight of his life in coming from a third round knockdown to edge Bruce Harris.

Scottsdale Park's Kevin Toomey took the 106-open struggle, denying a frustrated Jerry Brown his second chance at a Golden Gloves crown in the supersectionals.

The 113-pound champion, Roosevelt McCallem acquitted himself admirably in the 1978 Chicago-New York struggle. But little has been seen of him since. Then almost a year later, he emerged from his cocoon to defend his crown. But inactivity more than anything else cost him a chance to notch a second try at New York. This year the chance will go to Vince Hudson who's been on the verge of a title for two years. Last year Hudson lost the novice title to Gil Compos. He served notice to the Golden Gloves world that he was a force with which to be reckoned when he won the Chicago CYO championship in a thrilling fight last December against Nino Viola. Hudson took the fight directly to the slender McCallum and simply overpowered the Joliet, Illinois, native.

Chicago's most glaring weakness lies in the 132-pound division. Last year's champ Paul Sanchez disappeared. And the 1978 runner-up and current state AAU champ, Sergio Zembrano, another of Lira's proteges, broke a rib during pre-Golden Gloves sparring. The new champion, DeWayne Ingraham, a student of last year's Heavyweight champ and now New York Pro, Renayldo Snipes, is a novice in an open fighters billing. Armed with less than five fights, Ingraham didn't have to do much besides show up against his opponent, who went down three times in a minute after a pat on the jaw in the area of the face each time.

If the 132-pound division is the least talented, the 139-pound division is the most. There are six capable athletes, the CYO's Ali K. Muhammed, Veadro Boynkin of the Windy City Boxing Club, and Georgie Pagan of Mayor Hatcher's Youth Foundation, not to mention last year's champion Paul Williams, and runnerup Johnny Plaza another one of Lira's charges who's only been fighting 18 months and looks like his mentor. None, however, was up to beating Scottsdale Parks veteran champion and nonstop puncher Ron Clifford.

Plaza was very effective in avoiding and countering Williams during their semi-final match. But as effective as the 24-year-old boxer was against Williams, he was helpless against the relentless Clifford, a former 112-pound champion. "I made him look good," a dejected Plaza commented. "I think I landed only one good punch all night."

It must have been a good one, however. Although Clifford was a unanimous winner, Plaza's solo blow broke the champion's jaw. So Lira and company will be going to the tournament of champions after all.

And there is a new 147-pound champion. This loser is a Williams, too. Steve Williams to be exact. A veteran puncher who appears to be bored with the amateurs. Perhaps he bored the officials too, because they gave the verdict to improving welterweight and another former Snipes pupil, Xavier Frazier.

Brian Mathews, last year's 156-pound champion might well have repeated except that Randy Smith dropped weight for the third year. Formerly a Lightheavyweight then 165-pound champion, Smith easily defeated Mathews, himself an upset knockout winner over 1977 Chicago-New York Champ and now pro, Roosevelt Green.

Taking Smith's place on the 165-pound throne is Irishman Johnny Collins. A former Park District champion and novice runner-up last year to Guy Johns, Collinq' new weight equips him with dynamite power to his already formidable right hand. He easily defeated Kevin Strong, who likes to copy Muhammed Ali in everything but ability.

LeRoy Murphy is Chicago's best knockout artist. But he's been suffering from the blaahs. Lack of competition as he calls it, has accounted for his indifference. And it almost accounted for his defeat. Contender Bruce Morris surprised the three-time champion in the third round with a solid right that put him down. Murphy, however, dragged himself up to win.

Perhaps Chicago's brightest hopes for a tournament winner lies with its newest entry, heavyweight William Hosea. Hosea, who resides in Bloomington, IL., where his wife owns a beauty parlor, spent less than three minutes to catch Irishman Steve Ryan, a rugby player, with a fatal combination.

Hosea, Golden Gloves National runnerup, stunned the Irish rugyby player with one right, then another and one more for good measure as the gutty Ryan went to the canvas. The defeat was a bitter one for Ryan, who has been plagued by injuries this year and last. Ryan outpunched Lenny Jernigan during a thrilling semi-finals bout and would have achieved his goal of winning the title, had not Hosea switched from his usual Springfield journey to Chicago.

Chicago will be hearing from Ron Amundsen, Kevin Toomey, Wayne Hankins and Darrell Love, all impressive winners in the Novice Division. Amundsen was particularly impressive in his bout with Gary Lenza. Both fighters survived an arduous journey through a particularly heavy schedule of bouts in the 147-pound class. Lenza's loss could partly be attributed to the tough going he experienced in getting to the finals. He had a very black eye which still hadn't cleared up during the 10-day layoff from the Supersectionals to the finals. Still, Amundsen improved with each bout, finally combining strong punching with a very impressive display of boxing skill as evidenced by the almost surgical skill he exhibited in all the bouts.

BOXING IN ARGENTINA

By SIMON BRONENBERG

▲Posadas–In the welter class, Carlos M. Gimenez beat Romulo Ibarra, ten.

▲Mendoza–In the jr. welter division, Roberto Alfaro outpointed Jorge Gomez, ten.

▲Mar del Plata–Undefeated in the fly class, Gustavo Ballas beat Miguel A. Lazarte, ten.

▲Cordoba–Miguel A. Figueroa won the local lightweight title beating Raul Aguero in twelve rounds.

▲Mendoza–Lights: Jorge R. Sanchez and Jorge Talquenca drew, twelve. (Sanchez retained his local title.)

▲Rio Tercero–Welters: Ruben Wiberger beat Jose Oroda, six.

▲Mar del Plata–Argentine featherweight champion Juan Domingo Malvarez beat Juan R. Reyes by a TKO in four and retained his crown.

▲Resistencia–Argentine and South American heavy champion Domingo D'Elia beat Luis F. Pirez, from Brazil, and retained his South American title.

▲La Caleta–Luis Sosa beat Oscar Aguero in twelve rounds. Won local jr. middle title.)

▲Pte. Roque S. Pena–In the jr. lightweight class, Santiago "Sapito" Lopez whipped Ramon "Moncho" Dominguez.

▲Villa Carlos Paz–In the flyweight class, good prospect Santos "Falucho" Laciar outpointed Juan C. Rios, ten rounds.

▲Bahia Blanca–In the welter class, Carlos Maria Gimenez beat Cirilo Ruiz by a TKO in eight.

▲Posadas–In the light heavy class, Ricardo Arce kayoed Rosendo Toledo in the sixth.

▲Mendoza–Jorge Salgado beat Juan A. Ibanez in twelve rounds and won the local vacant light heavy title.

▲San Luis–In the welter class, Hector Munoz kayoed Luis Rodriguez in the seventh.

▲Salta–Veteran and ex-Argentine flyweight champion Juan Jose Brizuela (now from superfeatherweight) beat Ricardo Gomez in ten rounds.

▲Mar del Plata–Ricardo Magallanes won the Argentine welter title from Simon Escobar in twelve rounds. Escobar was Argentine champion only four days, having won the title after it was renounced by Miguel Angel Campanino.

▲Cordoba–Jose Casas kayoed Hugo Emer in six rounds and won the local super bantam title.

▲Rio Tercero–In the lightweight class, Nicolas Arkuszyn outpointed Miguel Figueroa, ten.

▲Pte. Roque S. Pena–In the featherweight class, Julio Alegre and Juan Carlos Alvarez drew, ten.

▲Necochea–In the jr. middle division, Walter Gomez beat Alberto Almiron by disqualification in the seventh round.

▲Villa Carlos Paz–In the lightweight class, Jorge "Polvorita" Gomez whipped Oscar Barrios, ten.

▲Zarate–Undefeated in the jr. welter class, Manuel R. Bustos beat Eduardo Valenzuela, ten.

▲San Juan–In the heavy class, Pablo Noe Castellino outpointed Antonio Musladino, ten rounds.

▲Mar del Plata–Hard puncher junior middleweight Horacio Cabral kayoed Jose A. Vega in the second round.

BOXING IN MEXICO

By EDUARDO AMER G.

MEXICO CITY Alberto "Costeño" Morales, 111, outpointed Juan Guzman, 109, Dominican Republic, ten. Juan Zarate, 112, stopped Hector Cortes, 115, in two Jorge "Martillo" Flores, 191, halted Roberto Najera, 195, in two. Jose Acosta, 111, decisioned Juan Flores, 110, in six. Roberto Martinez, 119, whipped Alejandro Romero, 117, in four.

MAZATIAN, SINALOA Antonio Becerra, 118, won by a disqualification over Rafael Gandarilla, 118, in two; Herminio "Loba" Ramirez, 171, polished off Efrain Ornelas, 173, in eight; Rodolfo "Gato" Gonzalez, 135, nailed Chucho Saucedo, 134, in three.

REYNOSA, TAMAULIPAS: Roberto "Kid" Rutaldino, 118, embalmed Kid Shapper, 118, of USA, in five.

CIUDAD OBREGON, SONORA: Young Casanova(Hector Medina), 118, defeated Fabian Palma, 117, in ten; José "Veneno" Medina, 127, outscored Oscar "Patero" Rodriguez, 128, ten.

CULIACAN, SINALOA: Jose Luis Soberanes, 135, Kayoed Juan Elizondo, 136, in two.

APATZINGAN, MICHOACAN: Angel Mata, 124, bombed "Negro" Torres, 125, in one.

MEXICO CITY: Federico Carreño, 125, technically stopped Pablo Ramirez, 125, in three; Juan Garcia, 124, TKO'd Jose Luis Larra, 125, in the first round; Daniel Garcia, 119, bested Bernardo Peña, 118, eight; Melchor Mendoza, 116, beat Gustavo Romero, 116, in six; Victor Palma, 115, TKO'd Aristeo Pileño, 115, in three.

MONTERREY, NUEVO LEON: Justo Garcia, 120, TKO'd David Escobedo, 119, in 6; Leonardo Ramirez, 127, iced Juan Torres, 128, in 1.

GUADALAJARA, JALISCO: Manuel Luna, 110, won by a technical decision from Estanislao "Kiko" Bejinez, 111, in six; Jorge Vaca, 146, whipped Roberto Lopez, 145. ten.

CAMPECHE, CAMPECHE: Jorge Vera, 113, technically stopped Antonio "Chino" Benitez, 112, in six; Felipe Zunza, 117, TKO'd Juan May, 115, in three; Agustin Raygoza, 118, bested Jose Guardian, 116, in six; Maximo Canul, 111, decisioned Antonio Perez, 111, in four; Gaspar Chacon, 111, lost to transito lopez, 111, in four.

MATAMOROS, TAMAULIPAS: Unbeaten Bartolo Silva, 117, won by a disqualification over Cecilio Ostos, 117, in six.

MEXICO CITY: Jose Ruiz, 118, defeated Javier "Mojarra" Solis, 117, in ten; Nestor Adan, 146, and Francisco Torres, 148, drew ten; Heriberto Saavedra, 111, won from Fidel Martinez, 111, eight; Chucho Gutierrez, 117, TKO'd Salomon Castillo, 118, in the first round. Armando Terron, 110, beat Aurelio Lopez, 111, in four.

MEXICO CITY: In a big upset, Pedro Flores, 111, gained Samuel Machorro, 113, in ten; Miguel Gonzalez, 110, technically kayoed Francisco Gonzalez, 110, in seven; Juan Hernandez, 135, whipped Memo Miranda, 134, in eight; Francisco Tapia, 125, TKO'd Romulo Rocha, 124, in 4; Luis Castillo, 110, demolished Trinidad Salas, 110, in one.

MONTERREY, NUEVO LEON: Ismael Ruiz, 194, TKO'd Ruben Rivera, 187, in five; Ernesto Herrera, 125, knocked out Carlos Mimila, 125, in four; Adan Chavarria, 145, TKO'd John English, 145, U.S.A., in three; Edel Borunda, 125, halted Rafael Martinez, 124, in two; Jorge Rocha, 117, TKO'd Martin Lozada, 118, in seven.

MERIDA, YUCATAN: Joaquin Acuña, 119, technically stopped Paulino Canche, 119, in eighth round; Promising Juan Herrera, 109, TKO'd Baltazar España, 111, in four; Juan "Dinamita" Hernandez, 134, put Nacho Saucedo, 133, to sleep in the first round; Jose Zapata, 119 TKO'd Manuel Hong, 118, in five.

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